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WAR IN N. CHINA TO TERMINATE

Government Armies Completely Smashed

COMMUNIST RADIO CLAIM: SUN FO APPOINTS NEW PEACE COMMITTEE

NANKING, March 3 (PTI-Reuter): The Chinese Premier, Dr. Sun Fo, today announced formation of a new Ten-Man Committee—with himself as head—to draft peace terms and take them to an Armistice Conference with the Communists in about a fortnight.

The Communists in north China meantime declared the Government armies were smashed and large-scale fighting was over.

DR. SUN FO'S LEAD

DR. SUN, WHO LEADS THE CANTON "NO-SURRENDER" GROUP, SAID ACTING PRESIDENT LI TSUNG JEN SET UP THE NEW COMMITTEE AFTER MEETING THE SHANGHAI NON-PARTY PEACE DELEGATION WHICH RETURNED FROM NORTH CHINA TALKS WITH THE COOMMUNISTS LAST WEEK.

"In view of China's contribution to world peace, we are seeking an honourable peace", he added.

Peace terms were being drafted at the verbal request of certain Communist leaders, who Dr. Sun refused to name.

The Premier said he still regarded Canton as the seat of Government and described Nanking as "the centre of peace negotiations."

Besides Dr. Sun as Chairman, the Committee includes Deputy Premier Wu Techen, two Ministers without portfolio, Generals Chang Chihchung and Chang Chun, former Moscow Ambassador Shao Litse and former defence Minister General Ho Yingchin.

COMMUNIST CLAIM

A few hours before Dr. Sun's conference, the Communist Commander in north China, General Lin Piao, declared that large scale fighting had ended.

Reporting this, the communist radio claimed that Government armies were "smashed" and could no longer organise strategic defence lines.

A peace settlement must cover the whole country and the Communists would not accept terms which left the Yangtse River as the boundary between a Communist-controlled north China and a Government-controlled south China, the Radio added.

ATTACK ON GOVT. BRIDGEHEAD

Ten Thousand Cdmmunist troops today began an attack on one of the last Government bridgeheads on the north bank of the Yangste between Shanghai and Nanking.

A Government division stationed at Chinkiang, on the south bank has crossed the river to reinforce the bridgehead and Government planes are said to be strafing Communist concentrations.

DESERTIONS IN NAVY

Foreign and Chinese naval officials in Shanghai today talked over the desertion to the Communists of the cruiser "Chungking — formely the British cruiser "Aurora".

Chinese sources said Admiral Kwei Yungching, Naval Commander-in-Chief, outlined measures to prevent the destroyer Lin Fu, formerly the British "Mendip," following suit.

Both ships were handed over to China last May.

Radio telephone reports from Communist occupied Peiping said the Military Control Committee there had agreed to allow passengers as well as freight to travel by sea between north China and Shanghai.

WEST GERMAN DRAFT CONSTITUTION

Military Governors' Criticism

FRANKFURT, March 3, (PTI-Reuter): The three Western Military Governors today published their criticism of the West German Draft Constitution prepared by the Bonn Constitutent Assembly.

The statement, handed to a delegation of the Assembly yesterday, called the assembly". Urgent attention to provisions in the draft which, in allied opinion," depart too far from the principles laid down by the Allies.

The allies suggested specific amendment of the Bonn text, particularly on the distribution of financial powers and the right of the Federal Parliament to priority in legislation on economic and social policy.

They asked the Germans to consider appropriate ways for improving guarantees for the democratisation of the civil service and for the independence of the judiciary.

SURAT COMMUNIST PARTY OFFICE RAIDED

SURAT, March 3 (A.P.I.): The office of the Surat District Communist Party was raided by the police.

The police searched the office for nearly two hours and recovered literature pertaining to the railway strike. Investigation is continuing.

GOVT. HELP TO RAZAKAR VICTIMS

NEW DELHI March 3. (A.P.I.): Sardar Patel, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of States in a written reply to Seth Damodar Swarup said in the Dominion Parliament that suitable monetary assistance was being given in deserving cases to Hyderabad State subjects who had suffered as a result of the Razakar atrocities.

U. CHAN TUN MEETS NEHRU

Delhi Conference On Burma Discussed

NEW DELHI, March 3, (A.P.I.): The Attorney-General to the Burmese Government U Chan Tun has arrived in Delhi. He met the Prime Minister Pandit Nehru this afternoon and had discussions with him for an hour. Besides an official of the Burmese Embassy, the Secretary-General External Affairs, Sir Girja Shanker Bajpai, and the Deputy Minister, External Affairs Dr. B. V. Keskar, joined the discussions at a later stage.

It is understood U Chan Tun will have further talks with Pandit Nehru during the next few days.

Observers here believe that the object of U Chan Tun's visit to India is to convey to the Government of India the reaction of the Burmese Government to the suggestions forwarded to it following the recent informal conference on the Burmese situation.

First India-Made Locomotive In 1953

NEW DELHI, March 3, (API): The locomotive and boiler plant at Mihijam, in West Bengal, designed to manufacture 120 steam locomotives and 50 additional boilers a year, will produce the first fully manufactured locomotive by the end of 1953.

Mr. N. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar, Railway Minister disclosing this in the Dominion Parliament today in reply to Seth Govind Das, said that the preparations for the establishment of the plant had been completed.

The estimated cost of the workshop and plant was Rs. 8.5 crores of which the expenditure on general charges, including technical personnel, was Rs. 1 crore. It was proposed to spend about Rs. 14 crores over the complete establishment of the factory.

INDIANS IN BURMA SAFE

NEW DELHI, March 3 (A.P.I.): Indians in Burma are generally, safe, according to information received from that country, the Ministry of External Affairs announced in a press note today.

The press note stated: "The Government of India have been receiving numerous enquiries about the whereabouts and welfare of Indians in Burma from their relatives in India. Due to the temporary dislocation of postal communications in that country, it may be expected trat letters may be delayed.

According to information received from Burma, Indians ave been treated as neutrals in the present trouble and as suc have not been seriously interfered with and are reported to be generally safe. News from official sources confirms that Indians in Mandalay are safe."

DR. HERBERT EVATT AT MAHATMA'S "SAMADHI"

Dr. Herbert Evatt, Australia's Minister for External Affairs and President of the United Nations General Assembly folds his palms in Indian style to pay homage at Gandhiji's Samadhi, Rajghat on March 1.

DUM DUM RAID ECHO IN PARLIAMENT

No Anti-British Significance To Murders, Says Noel Baker

LONDON, March 3. (PTI-Reuter)—Mr. Philip Noel Baker, Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, stated in Parliament today that there was no anti-British significance in the recent murder of three European British subjects near Calcutta.

Mr. Leonard Gammans, a Conservative Member, asked "is it true or not true that these three unfortunate men were thrown alive into a furnace?"

He further asked if the Minister was satisfied that this was not a special attack on Europeans, or that special precautions should be asked for to protect Europeans.

NEHRU'S STATEMENT RECALLED

Mr. Noel Baker said he could not confirm the first part of the question because he was not informed. The Prime Minister of India had stated the arrested men belonged to the "Communist Revolutionary Party".

There was no anti-British significance to those attacks—our High Commissioner is quite clear on that point", he added.

COMMUNIST PLAN

The Minister said responsibility for protecting British subjects in India lay with the Indian authorities "who are fully alive to it, and in these affrays suffered casualties among their police".

"These attacks were carefully planned by the Communists—very carefully planned indeed, at a moment chosen when the police were holding sports in Calcutta", he said.

"I think it is difficult to lay blame on anybody for what occurred".

Mr. William Gallacher, one of the two Communist members of Parliament, then said: "In view f the last statement about Communists, could I ask if it is not the case that these raiders, while they may have used such a high-sounding name, have no association whatever with the Communist Party of India"?

The Minister replied, amid cheers: "I am prepared to accept the word of Pandit Nehru and I think his evidence is confirmed by events in Malaya and other parts of the world".

PLEBISCITE IN KASHMIR

Bedell Smith Declines Post As Administrator

LAKE SUCCESS, March 3 (PTI-Reuter): General Walter Bedell Smith, former United States Ambassador to Moscow, has declined appointment as United Nations Plebiscite Administrator for Kashmir, on the grounds of ill-health, it was learned here today.

General Bedell Smith, Chief of Staff to General Eisenhower during the war, headed the list of candidates for the post.

When the offer was made, he informed Mr. Trygve Lie, United Nations Secretary-General, that on medical advice he was unable to undertake work in the Indian climate.

Several other candidates remain in the 'short list.'

The appointment is expected to be announced in about a fortnight.

AHMEDABAD CLOTH DEALERS' PLEA TO GOVERNMENT

Release Of Stocks Urged

AHMEDABAD, March 3, (API): The Ahmedabad Retail Cloth Merchants' Association with a membership of over a thousand has addressed a letter to Mr. Dinkerrao Desai, Minister of Civil Supply, Bombay, requesting him to release their stocks worth about Rs. 30 lakhs which were frozen about two and half months ago when cloth rationing was introduced.

The Association has also given the warning that they will be compelled teo resort to Mahatma Gandhi's weapon unless timely relief is given to them.

French "Reds" Vote For Moscow

PARIS, March 3 (PTI-Reuter): A meeting of 20,000 Communists last night unanimously endorsed "without reservation" the recent statement by Communist Party leader, Maurice Thorez that in case of war, French Communists would welcome the Soviet army as liberators.

M Thorez issued a statement last month declaring that if the Soviet Union invaded France as the result of an east-west war the Communists would act" as the workers and peoples of Poland, Rumania and Yugoslavia had done."

M Queuille, the French Prime Minister announced on February 24 that M Thorez's statement had been sent to the Punblic Prosecutor.

COMMUNISTS' REPLY TO NEHRU

PREPARATION FOR SABOTAGE DENIED

BOMBAY, March 3 (API): The Central Office of the Communist Party of India in a 1,000-word statement today said that Indian Communists had nothing to do with preparation for sabotage.

Referring to the Prime Minister Pandit Nehru's recent statement in Parliament that over a thousand Railwaymen and Trade Unionists had been put under arrest because they were preparing for sabotage and uprising, the statement said: "No evidence was produced as there was none."

The Prime Minister's reference to "Communist revolts in countries bordering on India and preparation of such a revolt in India" was an echo of the Anglo-American imperialist policy the statement said. "Sardar Patel's recent speech in Madras assuring the capitalist class that they need have no fear of nationalisation of industries from the present Government now or at any time in future; the recent Government budget; legislation banning strikes altogether;—all these not only indicate the Government taking line of Indian big business but are also further milestones on the road of subordination of Indian economy and foreign policy to the dictates of Anglo-American capital."

LOUIS JOHNSON TO SUCCEED FORRESTAL

WASHINGTON, March 3 (PTI-Reptter): President Truman was expected to accept the resignation of Mr. James V. Forrestal, United States Defence Secretary, today and to name Mr. Louis A. Johnsoi as his successor.

Sarojini's Ashes To Be Immersed At "Sangam"

LUCKNOW, March 3, (API): The Ashes of Mrs. Sarojini Naidu will be immersed in the "Sangam" at Allahabad on March 11.

It is proposed to take portions of the ashes to Hyderabad and Benares also.

BOMBAY POLICE TO FIGHT ANTI-SOCIAL ELEMENTS

Security Plans Discussed At Conference

BOMBAY, March 3 (A.P.I.): Security measures to combat any subversive movement and to defend the people of the province against disruption by anti-social elements from within or without were finalised, it is understood at a conference of Senior Police Officers of the city and the districts held here last week.

Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay inaugurated the conference, which was part of the police week.

The conference in particular is understood to have discussed plans to meet the threat of strike by Communist-sponsored Labour Unions which have a sway over certain sections of Railway, Postal and Dockyard workers. In any step that Government might take to meet the strike threat, the authorities would try to minimise unnecessary hardship to law-abiding citizens.

The Inspector-General of Police, Mr. N. M. Kamte has assured the Government, it is learned, that the Police force of the province was fully alive to the gravity of the situation and would take timely action—preventive and remedial—to maintain peace and order.

Unduly High Taxation In Bombay

PROVINCIAL BUDGET UNDER FIRE

Plea For Retrenchment In Services: Assembly Debate

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Views on the Budget Estimates showed nothing like a general agreement on points—either of approval or of condemnation, in the general discussion on the Budget in the Bombay Legislative Assembly today.

One member said that there must be a curtailment in expenditure for improving agricultural methods, while another member justified itin ample measure.

EXPENDITURE ON POLICE

THE SAME CONFLICT WAS SEEN IN THE OPINIONS EXPRESSED ON THE EXPENDITURE ON THE POLICE ESTABLISHMENT. WHILE, ONE MEMBER HELD THAT A POPULAR GOVERNMENT DID NOT NEED TO SPEND SO MUCH ON THE POLICE, ANOTHER SAID THAT THE EXPANSION OF THE POLICE FORCE WAS NECESSARY TO COMBAT THE SPREAD OF COMMUNISM IN THE PROVINCE AND TO PROTECT THE MINORITIES.

A solitary member came to the rescue of the provincial newspapers and criticised the Sales ax on advertisement space. He said that newspapers which consittuted the only link between the Government and the public, deserved greater leniency.

Firing the first shot against the Budget proposals of the Provincial Government this afternoou, in the Bombay Legislative Assembly, Mr. M. M. Bhaiji said that the attempts of the Government of Bombay to combat inflation and bring down the cost of living, resembled "Nero's fiddling, while Rome was burning." They had not fulfilled any of the directives which the Central Government had given to the provinces in this respect.

In the first instance, they had not balanced the Budget, for balancing the Budget did not mean bridging the gap between revenue and expenditure by fresh txation and "heaping misery" on the people. It actually meant the cutting down of expenses, and lowering the surplus purchasing power of the richer classes. But the new taxes devised, would act as a heavy impost on the poorer and the middle classes, who were already overburdened.

SALES TAX CRITICISED

Elaborating the point, he said that the new measures of Sales Tax had not only all the evils of indirect taxnot only all the evils of indirect taxation, but also the evil of raising the cost of living, in the province The Sales Tax on exports would affect the whole Dominion of India, and would increase inflation, rather than reduce it.

Similarly, the tax on the industrial use of electricity, would be passed on to the consumers—especially by such industries as flour mills and grinding mills.

Mr. Bhaiji criticised the government for "frittering" away the free cash balance at their disposal progressively from year to year. They had already dwindled from ten crores to two, and next year, there would be nothing left. It would have been better if these cash balances had been preserved for any emergency which might arise in the future.

He said that the lakhs of rupees spent last year by Government in 'grow more food schemes" had not shown any results, for food production had not increased. He pleaded that Government must learn from experience, and curtail expenses in this direction. Various agrarian reforms indirection. Various agrarian reforms initiated by Government, though good in intention, had done little to augment food production. Government's grants and subsidies for minor agricultural repairs and constructions, had resulted in unnecessary waste, for there was nothing to show that the people for whom these measures were intended, always got the benefits in full.

INCREASE IN POLICE STAFF

"It is surprising" he said that police expenses had gone up under a popular Government from nine per cent of the total revenue in 1946 to 14 per cent in 1949. But, robberies and dacoities were getting quite common in the districts, despite the increased staff and expenditure, and police efficiency in these places, had definitely deteriorated.

"It is a sad commentary", he added, that in a Government run by the consent of the people, so much expenditure on the police was thought necessary.

Mr. Bhaiji was of the opinion that if the Government had given sufficient attention to the problem of inflation, during the last three years, the finances of the province would not have been in such a state of confusion.

The member pleaded for the postponement of non-urgent schemes for an year or two and for the practice of drastic econom. "Illicit distillation is increasing in geometrical progression with the advance of pro-

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HAGUE TALKS ON INDONESIA

Republicans Suggest Modification Of Plan

BATAVIA, March 3 (PTI-Reuter):—A Round Table Conference on Indonesia called by the Dutch for March 12 at the Hague is likely to start on time whether or not the Republicans attend, observes here said today. It was still not known whether the Republicans would accept the Dutch invitation.

The Indonesian Federalist Contact Committee and a Republican Delegation returned here today from the Island of Banka, off Sumatra, after talks with the Republican leaders there, but brought no definite reply.

An official communique said the cation of certain points in the Round Table Plan.

According to some sources this would involve modification of the plan.

The Federalist Committee are to communicate the results of their talks with the Republicans to a full Federalist Conference soon and later possibly to inquire the attitude of the Netherlands Government or make recommendations concerning the plan.

Meanwhile the Government of the important Federal Unit of East Indonesia have indicated that they regard attendance of the United Nations Commission for Indonesia at the Round Table as a fundamental point and reserve the right to reconsider their decision to join the conference if this among other conditions—should not be fulfilled.

20 Killed In Istanbul Explosion

ISTANBUL, March 3. (PTI-Reuter): Twenty korkmen were killed and 50 injured in an explosion which wrecked an arms factory near here yesterday, according to press reports today.

Rescue teams were still searching the debris of the factory at Sutluce on the East Bank of the Golden Horn, which was reported to be making shils for Egypt at the time of the explosion.

New Israeli Government

TEL AVIV, March 3, (PTI-Reuter): The new Israeli Government to be formed as a result of the recent general election will be a coalition of moderate labour elements, excluding both exereme left and extreme right parties, it was learned here today.

After night-long discussions the Left Wing Mapam (United Labour) party and the Right Wing General Zionists turned down Prime Minister Ben-Gurion's offers to join the coalition

The new Israeli Government is expected to include seven Mapai Members (Moderate Labour), three of the Religious bloc, one Progressive (Left Centre) and one Sepharadic representatives.

Karens Active At Myitung

RANGOON, March 3 (PTI-Reuter)—Government troops killed 17 insurgents in a clash at Muhon, near the coastal town of Moulmein, a military communique issued here tonight said.

Rebels set several villages ablaze in Bassein District of the Irrawaddy Delta.

Fighting was in progress at Myitung, 17 miles south of Mandalay, the communique added.

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2. To sanction the declaration of a dividend.
3. To confirm the election of Mr. W. Pennington as a Director, who is eligible and offers himself for re-election under Article 98 of the Articles of Association.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

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NOTICE.
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2.	Mr. Govind Mulji.	24, Valpakhadi Road, Bombay 9.	Social Worker.

The Poll will be taken on Tuesday the 8th March, 1949, from 7 A.M. (B.T.) to 6 P.M. (B.T.) in Victoria Gardens at the junction of Connaught Road and Victoria Gardens Road.

A voter will be supplied on personal application with a voting paper showing the names of the candidates in English, Marathi, Gujarati and Urdu and their symbols on production of an "official" slip issued by the Municipal Slip Clerks.

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The Polling Superintendent will give such assistance as may be required to any voter who by reason of illiteracy, physical or other disability, is unable to vote in the manner prescribed.

The voters, the candidates and their agents authorised by the Municipal Commissioner in this behalf will only be allowed to enter the Polling Booth upto the place where a voter receives his voting paper, but no candidate or Polling agent except when exercising his own right of voting will be allowed access to voting compartment or the passages leading to it. After a voter has received his voting paper no candidate or his agent will be allowed to communicate with him in any manner whatsoever.

The attention of candidates and voters is invited to Sections 171-B, 171-C, 171-D, 171-E and 171-F of the Indian Penal Code (Act No. XLV of 1860) as amended by the Indian Election Offences and Enquiry Act XXXIX of 1920 and also to Section 196 and Schedule II of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898, as amended by the Bombay Criminal Procedure (Elections Offences) Amendment Act, 1935 (Act XXIX of 1935), which render any person committing the offence of personation at Elections liable to arrest by the Police without warrant.

Voters may come with their ration cards to facilitate identification.

Ladies may conveniently visit the Polling Mandap to record their votes between 12 noon and 3 P.M. (B.T.) when much rush is not expected.

B. K. PATEL,
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.
Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 28th February, 1949. 3562

GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY,
CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT
Secretariat, Bombay.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the following temporary posts.

1. (I) MATERIAL SUPERVISOR. For watching progress of procurement of materials under the Executive Engineer, Milk Plan Construction Division, Bombay.

PAY. Rs. 80-5-100-8-140-EB-10-220-EB-10-270 plus Dearness Allowance.

Higher starting pay upto Rs. 180/ per month will be given to suitable candidate with experience.

QUALIFICATIONS: B.E. or D.C.S. (Civil) of a recognised University.

DOMICILE. Bombay domicile.

EXPERIENCE. At least 12 years' experience as an overseer or supervisor and should have been associated with important works.

2. (II) ASSISTANT GODOWN KEEPER.

PAY: Rs. 75-5-120 plus Dearness Allowance.

QUALIFICATION:— Matriculate with sufficient experience of handling large stocks of foodstuffs and of godown keeping.

AGE: Not exceeding 25 years for advanced classes and not exceeding 28 years for intermediate and backward classes.

DOMICILE. Must have a domicile in Bombay Province.

CONDITION. Selected candidate will have to furnish a cash security of Rs. 300/- and a fidelity guarantee bond of Rs. 500/-.

3. Applications stating the above particulars, should be sent direct to the Milk Commissioner, Wakefield House, Ballard Estate, Bombay so as to reach that office before 14TH MARCH, 1949.

S. M. MOGRE,
Establishment Officer.
Date: 4th March, 1949. 3573

NOTICE

No. 12. SECRETARY, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, WEST BENGAL invites applications with a treasury chalan for Rs. 5 under the head "XXXVI-Misc.—Receipts of the Public Service Commission, West Bengal" not later than the 24th March, 1949 to fill 39 permanent and 3 temporary vacancies in the posts of Commercial Tax Officer—II. Pay Rs. 125-400. The initial pay of a candidate, not already in Government service (permanent or temporary) and exceeding 25 years, will be fixed on the basis of age upto 30 years (Rs. 170). Qualifications—A candidate must be a Commerce graduate with at least 2 years' experience of work in a Commercial firm, or be a Registered Accountant. Age not more than 30 years on 1st March, 1949. The age limit for a permanent Government servant is 35 years. Upper age limit relaxable upto a maximum of 4 years for a political sufferer. Particulars and form obtainable from the office of the Commission, Anderson House (Top Floor), Alipore, Calcutta—27 personally or on sending a self-addressed stamped envelope. 3568

TENDER NOTICE

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G. I. P. Railway, Loco Offices Building, Parel, invites tenders upto 3 p.m. on 17-3-1949 for "supplying and loading into wagons 1,00,000 cft. of sand at Mumbra". The form of tender, schedule and conditions of contract, can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2 per set. This sum will not be refunded. 3570

NOTICE

THE GOVERNMENT OF RAJASTHAN have decided to organize some field publicity units under the Rural Development and Co-operative Department of the Rajasthan Union. Quotations are invited by the undersigned for the following equipment upto the 15th March, 1949, at the latest. When the tender is approved 5% of the approximate cost will have to be deposited as earnest money. The Vans complete with equipment capable of working on 230 Watts mains and also in fields where there is no electricity shall be delivered F.O.R. Kotah or Udaipur (inclusive of customs freights etc.) as the case may be within one month of the order. The makes and specifications are to be mentioned in the tender.

Publicity Van with strongly built body on the Bedford 14S" W. B. Chassis or Chevrolet Chassis, with publicity equipment seed and other exhibit cases suitably fitted therein.

2. Slide Projector workable on electricity, carbide, and petromax with screen stand and screen.

3. Film Projector of 16 or 35 M.M.RCA or any other standard make with screen stand and screen.

4. Amplifier Chicago RCA or any other standard make 25 to 30 Watts.

5. R.C.A. JR Velocity Microphone with stand or any other standard make.

6. R.C.A. or any other standard speaker units with horns.

7. Gramophone with pick-up and another with hand spring.

8. Radio set workable on electricity and on batteries.

9. Generator plant of suitable power generating capacity, for the above equipment and some lights.

10. Extra batteries of standard make with 17 or 15 plates.

RURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONER & REGISTRAR CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES,
UNITED STATE OF RAJASTHAN KOTAH 3565

G.I.P. RAILWAY

ACQUISITION OF THE PACHORA-JAMNER RAILWAY BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

WITH EFFECT from 1st April, 1949, the Pachora-Jamner Railway which is at present owned by the Pachora-Jamner Railway Co. Ltd., and worked by the G.I.P. Railway will be acquired by the Government of India. From that date the Pachora-Jamner Railway will be owned by the Government of India, and will continue to be worked as hitherto as a Branch Line of the G.I.P. Railway.

The existing rates for Goods traffic chargeable on the Pachora-Jamner Railway will remain unchanged.

Passenger fares will be calculated as at present on the actual distances and the rates for all coaching traffic now in force will remain unaltered.

Concessions appearing in Rule 111 of Coaching Tariff Part I—A No. 4 of 1947 as are in force from time to time over the G.I.P. Railway will also apply subject to the same conditions over this section in local and through booking from April 1st, 1949.

Concessions for Military personnel etc. appearing in Appendix 'B' of Military Tariff No. 1 of 1943 will also apply over this section in local and through booking from the same date. (3144)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

No. 13. SECRETARY, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, WEST BENGAL invites applications, with a treasury chalan for Rs. 5/- under the head "XXXVI-Misc.-Receipts of the Public Service Commission, West Bengal" not later than the 21st March, 1949 to fill the following posts in the Bengal General Service: Director of Public Health Laboratories on Rs. 700-1100, Public Analysts for Food and Water, and for Drugs, each on Rs. 450-900, plus usual dearness allowance. Higher initial pay in each case may be granted to a highly qualified candidate. The posts will be filled on contract for 5 years, renewable for similar periods on satisfactory service, Private practice not allowed. Qualifications: DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORIES—Ordinarily a medical degree with a diploma in Public Health: sound knowledge of Chemistry and Pharmacology with experience of research in and standardisation of drugs; or, a Fellow, who has passed in Branch 'E' examination of the Royal Institute of Chemistry of Great Britain, or equivalent qualifications, that is to say, a First Class M.Sc. degree in Applied or Organic Chemistry with special knowledge of the Chemistry including Microscopy of foods, drugs and water. Preference will be given to a candidate with experience of Bacteriological Laboratory work. The Director should devote himself to planning and supervision and himself undertake a certain amount of research work. He should look after the bacteriological work particularly that pertaining to food and water and clinical material. Age ordinarily between 45 and 50 years on 1st March, 1949, relaxable in special circumstances. PUBLIC ANALYST FOR DRUGS—A medical degree either with the experience of Pharmacology or Bacteriological work or with a diploma in Public Health; or, a First Class M.Sc. degree in Pharmaceutical Chemistry or Pharmacy or Chemistry with Pharmaceutics as a special subject, or an equivalent foreign qualification, or an F.R.I.C. with Branch 'E' by examination. Preference will be given to a candidate with experience of research in and standardisation of Drugs. PUBLIC ANALYST FOR FOOD AND WATER—A Fellow, who has passed in Branch 'E' examination of the Royal Institute of Chemistry, Great Britain, or equivalent qualification, that is to say, a First Class M.Sc. degree in Applied or Organic Chemistry with special knowledge of the Chemistry including Mycroscopy of food and of water. Preference will be given to a candidate with experience of Bacteriological Laboratory work. Age for Public Analysts between 30 and 50 years on 1st March, 1949, relaxable in special circumstances. The upper age limit may be relaxed in all cases for a political sufferer upto a maximum of four years. Particulars and forms obtainable from the office of the Commission, Anderson House (top floor), Alipore, Calcutta 27, personally or on sending a large, self-addressed, stamped envelope. (3567)

NOTICE

GRESHAM LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY LIMITED

THE PAID-UP VALUE of the Policy of Assurance numbered 78339G and issued on the life of JEHANGIR BOMAN IRANI (formerly resident of Poona) has matured for payment and the Society intends to pay the amount of Rs. 655 against the discharge of the said Jehangir Boman Irani. Any person having any interest or claim thereto should immediately apply to:—

F. E. COCKRAM,
Manager,
Gresham Life Assurance Society Ltd.,
P.O. Box 444, Bombay. 3563

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

Re: Estate of MAJOR GENERAL BISHNU SHUM SHERE JUNG BAHADUR RANA OF NEPAL ..... Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the estate of the abovenamed deceased, who died at Nassau in the Western District in the Island of New Providence (Bahma Islands), on or about the 4th day of February, 1946 and the Probate of an authenticated copy of whose Will with the Codicil thereto annexed having effect throughout India was granted on the 13th day of December, 1948, by the Bombay High Court to our client Mr. Hatim Attari, the sole executor of the said Will are hereby required to send in their claims to the said Executor at the office of his Attorneys Messrs. Pereira Fazalbhoy & Co, at Fazalbhoy Building, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within one calendar month from the date hereof at the expiration of which time the said Executor will hand over the assets to the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice.

Dated this 3rd day of March, 1949.
PEREIRA FAZALBHOY & Co.,
Executor's Attorneys. 3578

PUBLIC NOTICES

BARSI LIGHT RAILWAY COMPANY LIMITED
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TENDER NOTICE.

THE AGENT and General Manager invites tenders for the supply of 13,500 Bars Washing Soap weighing approximately 45 Tolas each, and 450 Bengal Maunds Jagree. Good quality essential. Successful tenderer will have to deposit Rs. 500/- for each commodity as earnest money. Supply within seven days of acceptance of Tender at Company Grain Shop at Kurduwadi. Tenders should reach in sealed covers duly superscribed "Tender for the supply of Washing Soap" etc. before 11 a.m. on 15th March 1949. 3564

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. JABIRBHAI BADRUDDIN MEHTA, of Bombay Bohra Muslim Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having or claiming any right, title or interest of any kind whatsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lalgir Chambers, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof. Any claim not made known in writing as hereby required will be considered as waived and abandoned.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece of Bombay Improvement Trust Leasehold land being plot No. 6 of Parel Road (now known as Ibrahim Rahimtulla Road) South Scheme admeasuring about 119 sq. yards and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey Nos. 4565 and 4566, Cadastral Survey No. 3627 of Bhuleshwar Division with buildings hereon assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under C Ward No 8079 to 8081 and 6945 and Street No. 88 and all which premises are situate at Sir Ibrahim Rahimtulla Road and bounded on the East by the Sir Ibrahim Rahimtulla Road on the West by the Agiary Street on the South by Agiary First Cross Lane, and on the North by the Khara Tank Road.

Dated this 3rd day of March, 1949.
JAMSEDJI RUSTOMJI & DEVIDAS,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 3571

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mrs. FELICIA AGUIAR and Mrs. KATTY D'SOUZA of Bandra Christian Inhabitants have contracted to sell all those pieces or parcels of land or ground situate, lying and being at Moje Mogra (Andheri), on the Parsi Panchayat Road, in Taluka South Salsette, Registration Sub-district Bandra and District Bombay Suburban bearing:

S.No.	H.No.	Area
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48	9	Acres - and 16 gunthas

to Mr. RAMNIKLAL NAGARDAS DHARSEY, of Vile Parle Hindu Inhabitant and out of the said lands a portion, admeasuring about 3,000 sq. yds. or thereabouts the said Ramniklal Nagardas Dharsey has contracted to sell to my client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at his office at Pirnce's Avenue (Ghodbandar Road), Bandra, within 14 days from date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

Dated, 3rd March, 1949.
D. V. WAGH,
LL.B.,
Purchaser's Advocate. 3572

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MANECKJI DINSHAW PETIT of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at 40-44, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY:

ALL that piece or parcel of Foras land or ground (cess in respect whereof is redeemed), with the measuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate at Lamington Road in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 430 Square Yards or thereabouts and Registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 4/7466, Cadastral Survey No. 1205 of Girgaum Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under 'D' Ward No. 1804 (1) and Street Nos. 298-316.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1949.
JANI & MERCHANT,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 3569

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF SUMAN FLOUR & MASALA MILLS AS A GOING CONCERN.

Insolvency No. 106 of 1948.
RATANSI DEVJI.

Under instructions from the Official Assignee of Bombay and Assignee of the estate and effects of the Insolvent abovenamed and with the consent of the Mortgagee herein and in pursuance of an Order of the Insolvency Court, dated the 21st day of February, 1949, Messrs. BENNETT & CO., Auctioneers will sell by Public Auction subject to Official Assignee's confirmation, on 14th March, 1949 at 4 p.m. (S.T.) at site the business as a going concern carried on by the insolvent abovenamed in the name of the Suman Flour & Masala Mills at Dadar Gully, near Bhawanishanker Road, Dadar, on the leasehold land admeasuring about 240 square feet together with the shed and other structures erected on the demised land and the benefit of electricity license, machinery and stock-in-trade and with the benefit of the tenancy under the lease dated 26th November, 1947, and made between Narayan D. Kamat and the Insolvent. The confirmation of the sale will take place in the Official Assignee's Office, High Court, Bombay, on 18-3-1949 at 1 p.m. (S.T.). For further particulars and conditions of sale, please apply to the undersigned or to Messrs. Jamsedji Rustomji & Devidas, Solicitors, Lalgir Chambers, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay.

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PROCUREMENT OF GRAIN IN MERGED AREAS

Separate Levy Order To Come Into Force On March 4

In the absence of detailed records of land holdings such as usually exist in the Districts of the Province showing the area and type of land held by each cultivator, in the recently merged States, it has been found impracticable to extend to most of these States the Grain Levy Order, which is the main plank of the Government's procurement machinery. The Government has accordingly issued another Order introducing a levy system based on a somewhat different method of calculation of the expected yield of the cultivators in the merged and integrated States.

The Indian States Levy Order, 1949, will come into force from March 4, 1949 and is being published in Part I of the Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary, of the same date.

This levy order authorises the District Magistrates concerned to declare the average per acre yield of land in particular tracts. It requires the cultivators to submit to the Mamlatdar of the area in which their lands are situated a declaration of the extent of their land, the figures of the irrigated and unirrigated portions being given separately. On the basis of this declaration (or other available information) and the yield figure laid down for each tract, the District Magistrate will calculate the probable produce of each cultivator and send levy bills to such of them as appear to be in possession of a surplus.

Small cultivators, i.e. those possessing an area of land whose estimated produce will be approximately below 27-12 mds. will be exempted from the operation of the Order in the same way as under the Districts Levy Order.

The Order also provides for adjustment of the levy demand in accordance with the size of the family as in the District Levy Order.

The Order excludes from its purview the predominantly rice growing areas in the States. The Schedule attached to it shows the areas to which it applies.

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CONSOLIDATION OF SOIL CONSERVATION

Local People To Be Consulted

The Land Improvement Committee appointed for the reorganisation of the entire Land Improvement Department had made certain recommendations which the Government of Bombay had accepted. One of the recommendations pertained to the Consolidation of Soil Conservation Work. The Government of Bombay has now decided that this work should be executed in consultation with the local people.

PROCEDURE FOR CONSULTATION

The procedure adopted for such consultation will be that the plans prepared by the Soil Conversation staff would be made available in the village itself to the local villagers on a fixed date to be notified at least a week in advance by the Land Assistant. The Land Assistant would then visit the village on the date notified and explain to the villagers the nature of the work proposed to be done hear the objections if any, and reply to them on the spot. He would at the same time make a note of the objections and of the replies given by him and submit the same to the Sub-divisional Soil Conservation Officer who would then forward them to the Divisional Soil Conservation Officer, with his remarks and suggest any feasible alterations in the plan. The Divisional Soil Conservation Officer then will pass final orders in the matter as directed by the District Land Improvement Board, concerned, to whom it will be referred for consideration.

PORTER'S TRAGIC END

Ramnarayen Jadhav, a porter of the G.I.P. Railway, who fell down from a train on Thursday, while he was engaged in shunting operations, died in hospital, to-day.

Shops And Establishments Act

The Government of Bombay has decided that from April 1, 1949 all the provisions of the Bombay Shops and Establishments Act, 1948, will come into force in Viramgam, Kirkee, Bagalkot and Miraj Municipal areas.

WEATHER

WEATHER CHART

POONA, March 3, (A. P. I.): Following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, total rainfall from 1st December 1948 and departure from normal, recorded at 08-00 hours (I. S. T.), on 3rd March, 1949:—

Bangalore 89 62 0 0.5 minus 0.5, Baroda — 59 0 0 minus 0.3, Belgaum 92 65 0 0.1 minus 0.4, BOMBAY 89 69 0 0 minus 0.3, Calcutta 92 69 0 0.1 minus 1.7, Colombo 90 70 1.0 11.9 0, Delhi 85 56 0 0.9 minus 1.4, Hyderabad (Dn.) 96 60 0 0 minus 1.0, Kanpur (U. P.) 88 56 0 1.3 minus 0.2, Kodaikanal 66 39 0 4.7 minus 5.2, Madras — 70 0 1.7 minus 5.6, Mahabaleshwar 67 65 0 0 minus 0.5, Marmagao — — 0 0 minus 0.3, Nagpur 94 61 0 0 minus 1.5, Cotacamund — 42 0 1.0 minus 2.6, Patna 86 62 0 3.9 plus 2.3, Poona 97 59 0 0 minus 0.3, Simla 68 49 0 5.5 minus 1.5, Surat 104 65 0 0.1 minus 0.2.

WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, March 3, (API.) Following is the daily weather summary for Thursday, the 3rd March 1949.

A western disturbance lies this morning over the West Punjab. It is likely to move eastnorth eastwards.

Weather has been mainly dry over the country. Day temperatures have risen over the whole country outside the west Coast of the Peninsula. They were markedly above normal in Saurashtra, Gujarat and the central parts of the country. Night temperatures were slightly below normal in and near the east Central Provinces and Orissa.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL THE EVENING OF 4TH: Local showers are likely in the East Punjab hills. Isolated showers are also possible in the plains of the East Punjab.

Day temperatures will be appreciably above normal in Saurashtra, Gujarat and the central parts of the country.

Weather Bulletin For Farmers

Forcast valid till the morning of 5-3-1949.

Fair weather

Outlook for the next two days: No change.

CITY & SUBURBS

To-day

Hindu: Falgun Shud 4, 2005.
Muslim: Jamadi-ul-Avval 3, 1368.
Parsi: Meher 3, 1318.
Sunrise: 6-56 a.m. Sunset: 6-45 p.m.
Hightide: 02-10, 14-42.
Lowtide: 08-24, 20-20.

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE: 2 p.m. (B. T.).

To-day's Engagements

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER: The Municipal Commissioner will meet the elected members of Ward No. 11, on Friday, the 4th March, 1949, at 8-30 a.m. (S. T.), at Fanaswadi Vyankateshwar Temple and go round with them in the Ward.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: "The Common Origin of Man" is the subject of Public Study Class, today, at 6-15 p.m., at Jehangir Wadia Building, opp. Flora Fountain.

INDIAN CENTRAL COTTON COMMITTEE: The Director of Agriculture, United State of Rajasthan Dr. B. N. Vishwanath has been appointed a member of the Indian Central Cotton Committee, Bombay.

FRIENDS OF BURMA SOCIETY: "The Friends Of Burma Society were 'at home" to U. Hla Tun Phyu, U. Seint, U. Thein Maung and U. Po Nyun, members of the delegation representing the All-Burma Weavers' Association, at the C. C. I. on Tuesday evening, at which were present leading merchants having trade relations with Burma.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY WOMEN'S COUNCIL: Members are hereby informed that the B. P. W. C. has joined with the United Nations Women's Organisation in a Condolence Meeting for Shrimati Sarojini Naidu, at the Vanita Vishram Gardens, Sandhurst Road, today (Friday), at 5 p.m., Rani Maharaj Singa to preside.

CONGRESS HOUSE: An ordinary meeting of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee will be held today (Friday), at 6 p.m., at the Congress House.

UNITED WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS COMMITTEE: Under the auspices of the United Women's Organizations Committee, a Condolence Meeting of women to mourn the sad death of Shri. Sarojini Devi Naidu will be held today (Friday), at 5 p.m. (S. T.), at the Vanita Vishram Garden, Sandhurst Road. Rani Maharaj Singh, will preside.

Radio

BOMBAY, Friday, March 4.
244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. Pinakin Trivedi 7-40 K. R. Prabhi (Violin) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 G. D. Agni.
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41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
12-30 p.m. Mishra Sangeet 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Mahila Mandal Programme for women in Gujarati 1-25 Musical Interlude 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch-Hour Music.
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from 7-45 to 11-0 p.m.
5-0 p.m. S. R. Naik 5-15 Nalini Gokarn (Bhavgeeten) 5-30 Nasiruddin Gore 6-0 News (E) 6-10 Interlude 6-15 Nalini Gokarn 6-30 G. D. Agni 7-0 Topic of the Day 7-10 Local Announcements and Weather Report 7-15 K. L. Moye (Vocal) 7-30 Atibushar Mulanche Shikshan (Talk in Marathi by M. L. Joshi) 7-30 to 7-45 Interval on Short wave 7-45 Mannar Barwe 8-0 S. R. Naik 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Pinakin Trivedi 8-45 Nalini Gokarn 9-0 News (E) 9-15 K. R. Prabhu 9-30 B. B. C. News Relay 9-40 For the Universities 10-0 Richard Hecker; Piano 10-15 Ken Mac's Band.
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7-30 a.m. News (K) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 S. R. Naik 8-15 News (H).
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12-45 p.m. News (M) 12-50 Musical Interlude 1-25 News (H) 1-30 Do Paharke Raag 2-0 Radio Forum 2-15 Mishra Sangeet.
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
6-0 p.m. K. L. Moye (Vocal) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Calling Rural Listener 7-15 News (K).
61.48 m. (4,880 kc/s)
7-45 p.m. Commercial News 8-0 News (M) 8-15 Bhoop on Sitar 9-0 Nasiruddin Gore 9-15 News (H) 9-30 Bhavgeet 10-0 International Spelling Bee Contest Matches 10-20 G. D. Agni.
BARODA, Friday, March 4.
250 m. (1,200 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. Saz Sangeet 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 Dattatrya Bidwe (Shahanai) 8-30 Mukundrao Ghanekar (Vocal) 5-30 p.m. Kumudben Thakor and Party 5-45 Dattatrya Bidwe 6-0 News (E) 6-10 Interlude 6-35 Apni Farmaish 7-0 Kumudben Thakor and Party 7-15 V. N. Potkar 7-30 Kikubhai Bhagat 7-45 Topic of the Day 7-55 Hemant Kumar 8-10 Local Announcements and Weather Report 8-15 News (G) 9-0 News (E) 9-15 Kikubhai Bhagat 9-30 Mukundrao Ghanekar.

Spelling Bee Contest

The Third Test Match in the International Spelling Bee Contest will be broadcast by All-India Radio, Bombay, on Friday, March 4th at 10 p.m., when members of the U. S. Team will meet the Indian team. The winners of this will meet the New Zealand team in the finals.

This broadcast can be heard on 353 and 61.48 metres.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTE FOR ADJUDICATION

The industrial dispute between the Ravi Udaya Vijay Photo Litho Offset Works, Ghatkopar and the workmen employed under it has been referred, by the Government of Bombay, for adjudication to the Industrial Tribunal of Mr. Salim M Merchant.

Tuition Fees In Secondary Schools

The rates of minimum tuition fees chargeable by the Secondary Schools in the Province of Bombay were announced in December last. The Government of Bombay has now decided to permit deserving individual schools to charge less fees than the standard minima fixed by it.

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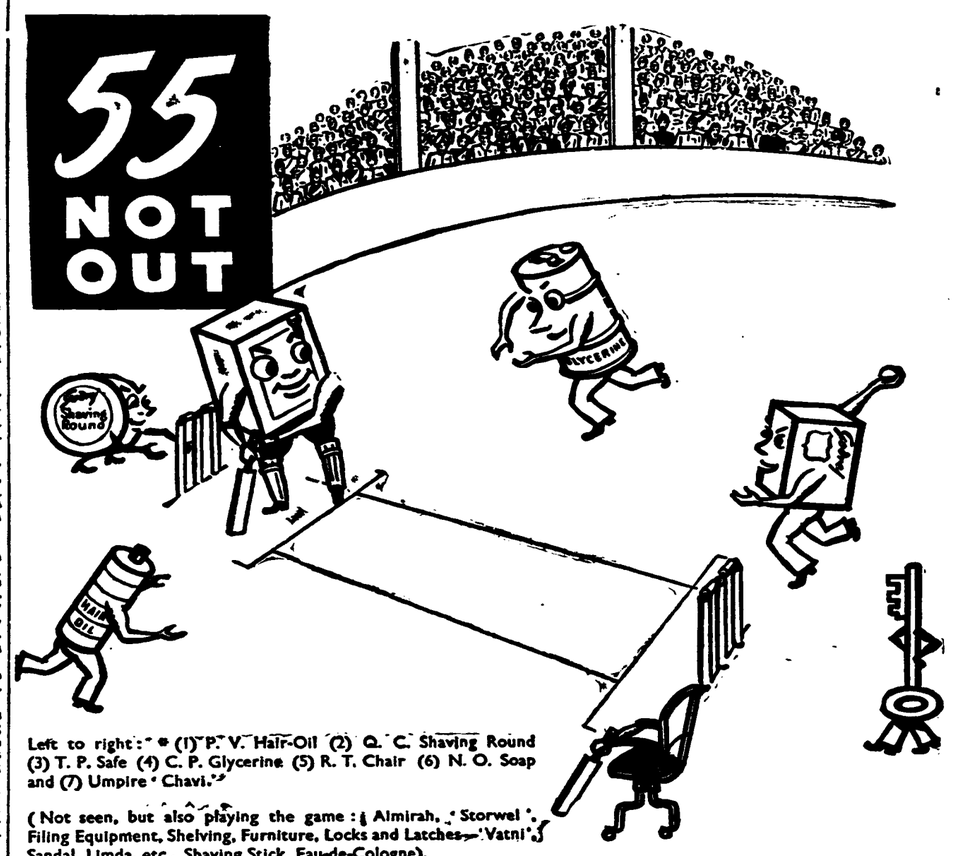

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FILMS TO SEE THIS WEEK

BOB HOPE IN "PALE FACE" AT NEW EMPIRE

BOB HOPE AND JANE RUSSELL GO TOGETHER LIKE DOUGHNUTS AND COFFEE IN PARAMOUNT TECHNICOLOUR "PALEFACE" DIRECTED BY NORMAL Z. MCLEOD.

"THE PALEFACE"

At The New Empire

Full of Indian war-whoops, booming six-guns and plenty of laughs, Bob Hope's latest picture for Paramount, "The Paleface", which arrived yesterday at the New Empire Theatre is a lavish Western comedy in Technicolor, with the accent on fun and uproarious action. Hope appears this time with none other than Jane Russell

Everything happens for laughs in this picture. Hope is funnier than ever as "Painless Peter Potter," a frightened itinerant dentist travelling through the wild and woolly west. Russel is exciting in her role of "Calamity Jane," famous, two-gun bandit, and is a perfect comedy-foil for Hope.

Busy minding his own business, which is pulling teeth correspondence-school style, Hope is unexpectedly joined by Jane during a forced exit from a small cow-town. He doesn't know that she is "Calamity Jane" recently deputized by the government to do a special job of locating a gang of bad-men smuggling guns to the Indians, or that he is to be used as paleface bait to bring the outlaws and Indians out of hiding.

During an Indian attack on their camp, she manages to shoot all the redskins from a position near Hope, who has jumped into a rain barrel. In order to keep her own identity secret, she convinces everyone it was Hope who saved the day. No one is more eager to accept this explanation than Hope, who forthwith changes into a swaggering hero, striding into saloon brawls and Indian uprisings. Jane, meanwhile, tries to fight his ridiculous battles for him and keep her eyes on the smuggling ring, too. Just what happens to both of them when they are finally captured by the Indians makes "The Paleface" a brand new kind of movie Western with laughs keeping pace with the thrills.

"The Paleface" also features that sensational hit tune "Buttons and Bows," which Hope sings.

"UNCONQUERED"

At The Strand

Paramount's technicolour production, "UNCONQUERED" directed by Cecil B. de Mille is back to Bombay's silver screen after the lapse of a year. Gary Cooper and Paulette Goddard play feature roles in this story of adventure. Cecil de Mille's direction has naturally invested the picture with grandeur in the matter of scenic effect. The story is gripping though some of the fans may not relish the subtle way imperialism is justified.

"MONSIEUR VERDOUX"

At The Regal

Chaplin is back again in "Monsieur Verdoux" at the Regal. The city saw this little clown a little over a year ago. In a way Chaplin in "Monsieur Verdoux" differs from his previous comic films yet, there is in the picture a lot of fun coupled with some light touches of melancholy. Chaplin film has a message for us regarding the social ills of humanity. The story is interesting and the tricks are new and only little Charlie can perform them at ease.

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WHAT'S WHERE in Bombay

REGAL:

"MONSIEUR VERDOUX" starring Charlie Chaplin.

NEW EMPIRE:

"PALEFACE" starring Bob Hope and Jane Russell.

STRAND:

"UNCONQUERED" starring Gary Cooper and Paulette Goddard.

METRO:

"RAMROD" starring Joel McCrea and Veronica Lake.

PARADISE:

"ALBUQUERQUE" starring Randolph Scott and Barbara Britton.

BANDRA TALKIES:

From Saturday 5 to Tuesday 8: "MARIE ANTOINETTE" starring Norma Shearer and Tyrone Power. From Wednesday 9 to Friday 11: "COPACABANA" starring Groucho, Marx and Carmen Miranda.

Arleen Whelan and Don DeFore visit Joel McCrea, recovering from a gun wound, in a scene from Enterprise's drama, "Ramrod", now playing at Metro.

"RAMROD"

At The Metro Cinema

Authenticity is the keynote hit in "RAMROD" which opens today, Friday March 4, at the Metro Theatre Set against the background of the 1870 West, the story tells of a domineering woman who makes use of her charms in an attempt to gain control of a roaring cattle town.

Veronica Lake and Joel McCrea share top honours on the marquee with Preston Foster, Donald Crisp, Charlie Ruggles, Don De Fore and Arleen Whelan in the featured roles. Veronica is the vixen who can accomplish with a smile what guns have failed to do in the lawless town of Signal. The foreman—or Ramrod—of her cattle ranch is lanky Joel McCrea, tight-lipped and quick on the trigger. Arleen Whelan plays Rose the third end of the love triangle.

"RAMROD" is the current offering of the newly-established company, Enterprise-Productions Inc., Harry Sherman was the producer, with Andre de Toth behind the megaphone.

FOR INDO-SWISS TRADE PACT TALKS

K. K. Chettur Leaving For Berne

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, March 3.

Government of India's Trade Mission headed by the Commerce Joint Secretary Mr. K. K. Chettur is leaving for Berne to negotiate Indo-Swiss Treaty talks for which commence on March 7. Mr. Chettur visits Belgrade and Norway to explore trade possibilities after the Berne negotiations.

NO INFORMATION ABOUT APPOINTMENT OF BEDELL SMITH

KARACHI March 2 (APD): No confirmation is available of the report of the appointment of General Bedell Smith, United States Ambassador to Russia, as plebiscite Administrator for Kashmir.

A spokesman of the Pakistan Government said this evening that no information about the appointment had been received either from the Secrtary-General of the United Nations or from the United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan

A spokesman of the Commission informed "radio Pakistan" that the Commission too had received no information from Lake Success of the appointment of a plebiscite administrator for Kashmir.

An announcement, he said, would be made as soon as a decision had been taken.

SIND COAL FOR INDIA

KARACHI, Mar 3 (UPI).—Sind's brown coal unearthed from the large lignite deposits near Jhimpir, 75 miles north-east of Karachi, is proposed to be exported to India for use in kilns, it is learnt. About 2,500 tons are expected to be exported to India.

HUR LEADER SHOT DEAD

KARACHI, March 3 (UPD).—Phul Machi, Hur ring-leader alleged to be responsible for 70 murders and a large number of dacoities, has been shot dead near Sona.

FATAL FALL

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Laxmibai Raghunath, is said to have jumped from the fourth floor of the building in which she resided, this morning. She died on the spot

KARACHI, March 2 (API): Pakistan will send four delegates to the 32nd General Session of the International Labour Conference at Geneva next June and July, it was announced here tonight.

Two delegates will represent the Government, one the employers and one the workers. Six advisers will accompany them.

Plea For Economic Collaboration With Other Countries

INDIAN COMMERCE CHAMBER CHIEF'S PLEA AT ANNUAL GATHERING

Foreign Capital Does Not Mean Economic Bondage, He Avers

NEW DELHI March 3 (API): Mr. Lalji Mehrotra, President of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry, referred to the question of foreign capital to develop new industries in India, and said that it was not impossible to devise means of economic collaboration with other countries, both on Government and private levels, on terms which, while securing to India the full benefit of their resources, might avoid the harm which such collaboration might involve to those who were not politically free.

Mr. Mehrotra, who was addressing the twenty-second annual meeting of the Federation here today, said that he was aware of the wrong conviction held in certain quarters that foreign capital involved economic bondage.

"Speaking for myself, I regard this view as a legacy of our historical past. We are probably not able to appreciate that we are now a free nation and what might have been the inevitable result of association with foreign capital up to a couple of years ago need not be the same now."

He added, "There are many instances of independent nations facing in the initial stages of their industrial development invited the assistance of foreign capital and skill."

Mr. Mehrotra said, however, that both foreign and domestic capital might be induced to come forward to render such assistance. Conditions at home must be made reasonably comfortable and free from avoidable risks.

The industrial community has for some time been feeling that the volume of labour legislation has been growing in inverse proportion to the state of immaturity of our industrial development and has to some extent been acting as a damper even to the domestic capital. The tempo has to be restrained and adjourned to the gradual growth of our industries.

"One of the many disquieting features of the recent labour legislation in the country has been the introduction of penal clauses making the organisers and directors of companies liable for acts in which they may have no direct hand.

SCARING AWAY PIONEERS

To what extent that may have the effect of scaring awway people who possess pioneering skill and experience in the field of industry has already been brought to the notice of the government by several commercial organisations. The government should pause and ponder and avoid doing things which may further reduce the available experience and skill which is already not in super-abundance at the moment."

Mr. Mehrotra referred to the question of profit-sharing and said the idea behind profit-sharing could only be to guarantee to the workers a portion of the fruits of their labour and that should in no way be allowed to be confused with the proprietory right of the undertaking with all that it meant. Secondly, if that additional form of remuneration was to achieve its purpose, viz. to induce greater production, its payment had necessarily to be linked with production.

"I am confident that the employers would welcome such demand, as while not constituting an unbearable burden on industries—it would help to inculcate a greater sense of responsibility in the workers.

To-day, unfortunately, the grant of additional facilities, instead of making the workers take greater interest in his work, is tending to produce quite contrary results. Absenteeism among the workers has been growing. The tendency to have more leave and less work is not confined to the industrial world; it is becoming more and more visible in other spheres of society as well.

Some of the provincial governments in their desire not to lag behind their neighbours—instead of curtailing the number of bank holidays have been adding to them."

NO PEACE AND PROSPERITY

In the course of his address Mr. Mehrotra reviewed the economic, industrial and political situation in the country and said since they met in March last year important events had happened in the world, making it recede further from the much-looked for era of peace and properity.

While the fate of the civil war in China seemed to be nearing decision, it was still too early to anticipate the pattern on Communism the victors were going to adopt. In Indonesia, a bid for power was made by the Communists for a time.

It was extremely unfortunate however, that just when the Republican Government there had almost succeeded in quelling the Communist revolt, the country was overrun by the Dutch in utter violation of all previous agreements threby constituting a menace to all the younger and small democracies in the east who had recently found their freedom.

The Burmese Government was faced with a serious Karen revolt and Siam was beginning to be drawn in to the vortex of Communist strife.

Their own country had not been altogether free from attempts at mischief. While the nation witnessed with relief the end of the police action and restoration of normal life in Hyderabad, as also the cease-fire agreement in Kashmir—which seemed to bring nearer the solution of that serious tangle—the forces of disorder which, during the days of Razakar terror, had joined hands with them still seemed to be fighting "readguard action" in some of the districts of Hyderabad.

"All these, though seemingly of minor importance to this country, pointed to the necessity of vigilance on the part of the government in dealing with this element in society. The industrial community too has to play its part in fighting this menace. They can do so by encouraging the development of a sound trade union movement in the country, meeting their legitimate demands and keeping the labour force generally well contented".

Inter-Dominion Relation

Mr. Mehrotra said that the clouds that had gathered in the sphere of inter dominion relationship appear to be slowly rolling away; a series of conferences had led to considerable improvement in the relationship between the two dominions. A substantial progress had been made in solving the refugee problem which dominated the political field last year.

Plans for the resettlement of a large number of them had been made and some of those plans while the country might feel grateful to government for what they had done in this connection, one cannot help observing that the agony of those who had not been able to find employment have been ever increasing. No government could succeed in accomplishing it unless it got the support and co-operation from private agencies.

In the economic and legislative fields, Mr. Mehrotra stated the events of importance had been the announcement of Government's industrial policy, the passing of the Reserve Bank Nationalisation act, steps that Government had taken to combat inflation including limitation of dividends, and the adoption of some portions of the draft constitution of India.

The mercantile community had all along held the view that the nationalisation of the Reserve Bank was at the moment "uncalled for and not justices any possible good that might be expected to result from it". "One fails to understand", he added "why the government should, for mere ideological reasons, take upon themselves this unnecessary burden when their hands are already ful of so many pressing problems.

In refreshing contrast to this their approach to the demand for the nationalisation of the Imperial Bank has been more practical and full of wisdom. Even in deciding about the quantum of compensation the well-known theory of maintainability of revenue has been ignored in sharp contrast to what was done by the British government in the case of the bank of England".

JUNK IMPORTED

Referring to the clause in the Draft Constitution providing for compensation in case of acquisition by the state of commercial and industrial undertakings and lands, Mr. Mehrotra said: "We are of the opinion, and we have the example of the Socialist Government of the United Kingdom before us, that no property should be acquired for public purpose without a just and fair return being granted."

Mr. Mehrotra expressed disappointment that the request of the commercial community for representation in the central and provincial legislative bodies was unceremoniously" turned down. The Constituent Assembly in rejecting the claims of the mercantile community to special representation in the legislatures had done something for which its leaders in their cooler moments would not feel very happy.

Mr. Mehrotra said that while the nation had been busy consolidating its hard-earned freedom, the economic conditions in the country had been rapidly deteriorating. The prices of all goods and commodities which were kept under restrait during the war period by means of regulations had found a spurt after the cessation of hostilities.

The pent-up demand had suddenly found opportunity to come to the surface and the country had seen the spectacle of "too much money chasing too few goods." The deficiency was sought to be made up by the import of "a lot of junk", unrestricted and unplanned. That naturally failed to produce any useful results. The only thing which could have helped remedy the defect was not done.

The industrial production in the country, which had almost attained a peak level during the war-time, had fallen off. While the industrial production was almost continuously declining the wage level continued to rise.

ASSAM RAIL LINK TO BE COMPLETED BY NEXT YEAR

General Elections Expected To Be Held Before 1951

NEW DELHI, March 3 (UPI): During question hour in Parliament this morning, Mr. Gopalswami Ayyanger, Minister for Transport, replying to Mr. Burman informed the House that the Assam rail link was expected to be completed by early 1950. The completion of the Assam rail link and the improvement for ferry arrangements to Manihari Ghat was expected considerably to facilitate the transit of goods from Assam and North Bengal to Calcutta.

Sardar Patel in a written reply to Mr. Kamath regarding next decennial census said that arrangements had been made for House numbering and the printing of enumeration slips.

Asked when the census was likely to be completed and the final report published, Sardar Patel replied that enumeration would be completed by March, 1951 and the All-India tables would be published possibly by the end of 1951.

The Home Minister also informed the House that according to the present plans, the general elections were proposed to be held earlier than the census.

Replying to Dr. Ragu Vira whether the Government were aware that the refugees from the Jammu and Kashmir state were unwilling to return to the state in connection with the plebiscite until and unless special arrangements were made for their rehabilitation and the whole area of the state was put under the administrative control of the Kashmir Government Sardar Patel said that the question of the rehabilitation of refugees from the state in connection with the plebiscite was under the consideration of the Government.

Asked whether the victims of the Razakar atrocities in the state of Hyderabad and adjoining teritories of the Indian Union had been compensated from the state funds, Sardar Patel in a written reply informed the House that suitable monetary assistance was being given to state subjects who had suffered. The Hyderabad Government was also rehabilitating such people.

Sardar Baldev Singh, Defence Minister in a written reply regarding pension or gratuity sanctioned to I.N.A men and their families said that a committee set up in the Ministry of Defence had scrutinised all claims and had made recommendations with regard to the amount to be sanctioned in each case, having due regard to the rank of the claimant prior to joining I.N.A. length of service, cause of death or disablement and number of dependents. It was expected that a sum of about rupees three lakhs would shortly be distributed as a result of these recommendations.

Replying to a question asked by Seth Govind Das whether the Government was considering a proposal to start a state-owned machine tool factory, Dr. Syamprasad Mookerjee, Minister for Industries and Supply, informed the House that negotiations were proceeding with foreign firms for entering into technical assistance agreement for the establishment of a factory in India.

He further said that according to rough estimates, the cost of the factory would be approximately rupees six crores and the value of its output in about eight years' time would be rupees six crores.

Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Food Minister replying to Seth Govind Das informed the House that the question of the continuance of protection to the sugar industry which was due to expire on March 31, 1948, was under examination of the Tariff Board whose proposals were awaited. He further said that the industry was receiving indirect protection by the present ban on the import of foreign sugar which was comparatively very cheap.

MANUFACTURE OF LOCOMOTIVES

Mr. Gapalaswamy Ayyangar replied in the affirmative when asked whether preparations for the establishment of a plant for manufacture of locomotives and boilers at Mihijam (West Bengal) were completed.

He further informed the House that the proposed workshop was decided for the manufacture of 120 steam locomotives and 50 additional boilers per year. The estimated cost of the workshop and plant was Rs. 8.5 crores of which expenditure on general charges including technical personnel was estimated at Rs. one crore.

Asked what was the total amount proposed to be spent over the workshop, the Minister for Transport replied that it would be approximately Rs. 14 crores.

PAKISTAN WON'T ACCEPT PARTITION OF KASHMIR

Govt. Communique Clarifies Position

KARACHI, March 3 (A.P.I.). The Pakistan Government denied reports suggesting that a secret understanding had been reached between Pakistan and India on the basis of the partition of the states of Jammu and Kashmir.

A "communique" issued today described such allegations as "absolutely baseless". The "communique" adds that the Government of Pakistan has not entered into any direct negotiations with the Government of India regarding the reference of the Kashmir dispute to the Security Council.

Categorically repudiating all statements suggesting any intention on the part of the Pakistan Government to accept any solution of the Kashmir dispute which contemplated a division of the state, the "communique" pointed out that the Government of Pakistan had accepted the resolutions of the United Nations Commission of August 13, 1948 and January 5, 1949 in the light of clarifications and elucidations given to them by the Commission from time to time.

These resolutions included settlement of the dispute by a democratic method of a fair and impartial plebiscite of Jammu and Kashmir.

The Pakistan Government's stand continued the "communique" was unequivocally stated by Mr. Gurmani, Minister Without Portfolio, at a press conference in Lahore on January 8 and again in the "communique" issued by the Government on January 16.

The Pakistan Muslim League passed a resolution laying down in clear terms that the people of Pakistan would not accept any solution of the Kashmir dispute on the basis of partition.

Insinuations in a section of the press on the declarations made by the Pakistan Government and the national organisation of the Muslims of Pakistan, the "communique" said, were extremely dangerous at a time when delicate negotiations were in progress with the United Nations Commission and were calculated to jeopardize the interests which it was their intention to serve.

The "communique" concluded with an appeal to all sections of the press to refrain from indulging in such speculations which, it declared were as "unwarranted and unjustified as they are unpatriotic".

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Nayudu's 109 In 73 Minutes

TRIM SCORES FASTEST 50

BOMBAY, Thursday.

More than 600 runs were scored at the Stadium in the festival match between a Governor's XII and the West Indies XII in about 285 minutes. Neither side tried its regular bowlers and although the ... was always deep set run getting was found easy and a number of sixes on either side resulted.

Easily the finest stroke seen at the Brabourne Stadium since Wellard's historic sixer off Amarsingh was another such sixer by Trim who lifted the Yuvraj of Baroda clean out of the Stadium and sent him into the Churchgate Street. Trim's incidentally was the fastest fifty, being compiled in almost only half an hour.

Atkinson's was the best knock of the day and perhaps of the match. He hit four sixes off which one to long off was off a full toss from Rai Singh Christiani scored his 18 runs in 8 minutes and was out in an unfortunate manner. He tried to hit a ball from the Yuvraj into the slips with the left-hander's grip and was consequently given out.

Rai Singh in the first innings and Nayudu in the second played well for the local side. The veteran Test skipper scoring his 109 in 73 minutes, which was the fastest innings of the match. He hit two glorious sixes on either side of the CCI screen.

H.H. Raja Sir Maharaj Singh came out to bat for a few minutes towards the close of play and even attempted some big hits

Christiani gave the finishing touches to an atmosphere of festivity by borrowing a turban from Rai Singh and wearing it for the greater part of the match.

SCORE-BOARD

WEST INDIES (First innings) (for 10 wkts. declared) ... 288

RAJA MAHARAJ SINGH'S XII	
Raja Maharaj Singh c Goddard b Stollmeyer	17
Rusi Modi c Walcott b Stollmeyer	29
B. B Nimbalkar c Walcott b Atkinson	48
C. K. Nayudu c Gomes b Atkinson	12
V. S. Hazare c McWatt b Walcott	8
D. G Phadkar st. Weekes b Stollmeyer	22
Mushtaq Ali c Rickards b Stollmeyer	9
Rai Singh hit wicket	72
Yuvaraj of Baroda c and b Walcott	31
Banerjee b Walcott	1
Amir Elahi b Walcott	19
Balendu Shah not out	4
Extras	16
Total	288

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O	M	R	W
Goddard	2	0	18	0
Stollmeyer	24	5	90	5
Walcott	17	3	56	4
Atkinson	19	2	53	2
Rae	3	0	22	0
Christiani	3	0	18	0
Rickards	2	0	12	0

WEST INDIES XII

Trim st. Balendu Shah b Yuvraj of Baroda	52
Goddard c Balendu Shah b Phadkar	9
Walcott st. Balendu Shah b Phadkar	4
McWatt c Hazare b Rai Singh ..	24
Atkinson b Nayudu	67
Rickards c Nimbalkar b Yuvraj of Baroda	19
Christiani out for obstructing the field	18
Stollmeyer c Rai Singh b Nayudu	30
Rae (not out)	25
Extras	7
Total (for 8 wkts. declared)	256

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O	M	R	W
Phadkar	2	0	23	2
Yuvraj of Baroda	11	0	107	2
Rai Singh	4	0	44	1
Hazare	1	0	12	0
Bannerji	2	0	41	0
Nayudu	3.5	0	22	2

RAJA MAHARAJ SINGH'S XII

Mushtaq Ali c McWatt b Rickards	0
Modi c McWatt b Rickards	2
Nayudu c Weekes b McWatt	109
Nimbalkar c Walcott b Rickards ..	17
Phadkar c Walcott b Rickards	2
Rai Singh c Stollmeyer b Rickards	17
Bannerji c Jones b McWatt	28
Balendu Shah not out	27
H. E. Raja Sir Maharaj Singh not out	12
Extras	3
Total (for 7 wkts.)	217

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O	M	R	W
Rickards	14	0	105	5
McWatt	15	0	94	2
Gomes	3	0	15	0

Umpires—Messrs. V. M. Merchant and A. S. D'Mello.

GRAY'S TROUNCE PROCTOR "A"

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Procter 'A' were trounced to the tune of 10 goals to nil by Bombay Greys 'A' in the Women's Hockey League this evening on the Association Ground.

Except for the first seven minutes Proctor were confined for the rest of the first period to their own half, where Edna Arklie had more to do than the goalkeeper, who saved a few shots but Edna was playing the entire forward line of the Greys single handed. The Greys scored at regular intervals through Miss McCarthy twice Gwen Smythe twice and Miss Hickson once.

On resumption Miss McCarthy added her sides fifth goal and Mrs. Hickson got the sixth the goalkeeper deflecting the ball into goal. Miss Gwen Smythe had a grand opportunity of scoring single handed, but the goalkeeper saved well. A few minutes later Gwen Smythe made amends and scored the seventh goal for Greys. Off a long corner Gwen Smythe scored the eighth goal for her side.

Plenty of scoring chances were wasted. Miss McCarthy went on to add a ninth goal and a minute later the tenth goal was added by the same, Miss McCarthy. This was the final score. Today's game showed Miss Edna Arklie as an outstanding back. Miss Gwen Smythe and Miss McCarthy as good goal getters. Miss Pansy Thomas did her little when required and Grey's 'A' was untouched.

Patton May Run Again

LOS ANGELES, March 3 (PTI-Reuter)—Mel Patton, the Olympic 200 metres champion, said here he had reconsidered his decision of January 17 to retire, and stated that he would compete for the University of Carolina this spring.

In the Day's Sport

TENNIS

Ramnarayan Sons vs. A. C. C. Sports, at Parsi Gymkhana.

Turner Hoare and Co. vs. Mahindra and Mahindra, at Hindu Gymkhana.

B.E.S.T. Sports Club vs. Tata Sports Club, at Bombay Gymkhana.

Khatau Sports Club vs. Burma-Shell Sports Club, at the Cricket Club of India.

Inter-off Lawn Tennis Shield Tournament.

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R. Poynts Beats Duffield

WESTERN INDIA JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Finals of the Junior Boxing Championships of Western India held under the auspices of the Bombay Presidency Amateur Boxing Federation concluded this evening. Luxman of David Sassoon Industrial School, R. G. Poynts of Christ Church High School, P. Khatau of D.M.P.G.I. and A. Thornber of B.H.S. impressed with their style and have prospects of turning out to be good fighters

A really close fight was witnessed when Ahmed (D.S.I.S.) and Sultan Ahmed of the same institute clashed Both fighters battered away from the start and connected aimlessly. Ahmed succeeded to win on points.

In the 6st. 7lbs and under fight. Luxman of D.S.I.S. proved to be a good fighter and had his own way, but the plucky Jacob of Barnes High School stood up to the last round although he was being chased all round the ring.

What was expected to be a good fight proved a disappointment, as both Christ Church boys were matched against one another and R. G. Poynts, who had won his way by quick decisions, gained another quick verdict, when he beat R. C. Duffield on a disqualification. Duffield was disqualified for holding in the opening round.

P. Khatau performed the hat trick in quick verdicts, when he won his third and last fight in this tournament in a first round verdict. He beat Umer Zia on a technical knock out in the 1st round. Khatau has given a good display throughout and is capable of going for in his boxing career.

Today's fights proved one thing that the youngsters, who go in to fight start hammering at one another just to win, there is no science in their boxing. A coaching scheme should be started and boxing talent picked up from schools could be made a start with.

At the end of the programme Mrs. Baker distributed certificates to the winners and runners up.

The following were the results:—

FINALS

JUNIOR CLASS "A"

8ST. AND UNDER:—Ahmed (D.S.I.S.) beat Sultan Ahmed (D.S.I.S.) on points.

8ST. 7LBS. AND UNDER:—S. Khatau (D.M.P.G.I.) beat Khandiya (D.S.I.S.) on points

6ST AND UNDER:—Kekoo Irani (D.M.P.G.I.) beat A. Caustel (Maccabi) on points.

7ST. AND UNDER:—A. Joseph (D.S.I.S.) beat N. Khatau (D.M.P.G.I.) on points.

JUNIOR "B" CLASS

6ST. 7LBS. AND UNDER:—Luxman (D.S.I.S.) beat C. Jacob (B.H.S.) on points.

8ST AND UNDER:—E. Jacob (Maccabi) beat D. Taylor (B.H.S.) on points.

8ST. 7LBS. AND UNDER:— R. G. Poynts (C.C.H.S.) beat R. C Duffield (C.C.H.S.) the latter being disqualified for holding in the 1st round.

7ST. 7LBS. AND UNDER:—P. Khatau (O.M.P.G.I.) beat Umer Zia (D.S.I.S.) on a T.K.O. the referee stopped the fight in the 1st round.

Umer Zia (D.S.I.S.) beat J. D'Souza (N.N.H.) on a T.K.O. in the first round in the semi-finals earlier.

10ST. AND UNDER:—A. Thornber (B.H.S.) beat C. Carr (C.C.H.S.) on points

Goddard Praises Indian Sportmanship

HOPES INDIA WILL VISIT WEST INDIES

BOMBAY, March 3. (API)—J. D. Goddard, Captain of the West Indies team, in a farewell message to Indian cricketers said:—

"On the eve of our departure from India, I should like to take this opportunity of tendering our warmest thanks to one and all who have been so good to us during our tour of India. This is the first occasion that a team from the West Indies has visited India. I think the main purpose of our visit has been achieved and that is, goodwill, which has been fostered in every sense of the word. We have had fine sportsmanship, the matches have been very keenly contested but played in a most friendly spirit and needless to say, that we have enjoyed meeting your representatives in friendly rivalry on the cricket fields. I express the hope that our tour will have resulted in some small benefit to your cricket.

Regarding the Test players we have met on this tour, I must say that Hazare has proved himself to be the mainstay of the Indian batting and is in my opinion the best batsman in India today. Phadkar is an excellent all-rounder and a very courageous cricketer as he so amply demonstrated in the Fifth Test match. Modi is a delightful stroke-player and can always be depended upon for making a lot of runs. Adhikari's batting was outstanding and he was of sterling worth in the field. Mustaqali is a very versatile player and one would always like to have a player like him in one's side. I think Mankad is the best bowler on the Indian side though the wickets did not give him much assistance. Ghulam Ahmed is a very useful bowler and had to be carefully watched. Amarnath had always an up-hill task confronting him having lost the toss in each of the five Test matches. I congratulate him, however, on the way in which he handled and kept his side together.

In conclusion, I should like to say how very grateful we are to the Board of Control for Cricket in India for making this tour possible and can only express the hope that we shall be in a position to sponsor a return visit of your team to the West Indies in the near future. It is with a feeling of genuine regret that we take our departure tomorrow, but I assure one and all that we shall forget their kindness to us and we shall carry away the happiest recollections of the tour".

WORLD MILE WALK RECORD LOWERED

NEW YORK, March 3. (PTI-Reuter) Henry Laskaw of the Maccabi Athletic Club, New York, last night broke the world and American records for the mile walk indoors by covering the distance in six minutes 22.7 seconds here.

His record-breaking time brought him only second place in the mile handicap event, in which he started from scratch. The winner, Eugene Chicura, of New Jersey, finished in seven minutes 12.3 seconds, but had a handicap of 50 seconds.

Previous best time for the mile indoor walk was Laskaw's six minutes. 24.6 seconds here on Feb. 12.

MAURITIUS EDITOR SENTENCED

PORTLOUIS (Mauritius), March 2 (PTI-Reuter): A sentence of 15 days imprisonment on the owner-editor of the Mauritius left-wing daily "L'Oeuvre", for publishing an official confidential document has been changed to a fine of £37, 10 shillings.

The Editor, Dr. Edger Millien, who is also a member of the Legislative Council, was found guilty in January of receiving and publishing a report of a commission of enquiry on prisons. He had appealed to the Mauritius supreme court against the prison sentence.

In February he was sentenced to additional fines totalling £90 with the alternative of 50 days imprisonment, on a charge of sedition after writing an article attacking the island's Former Governor, Sir Donald Mackenzie Kennedy

His paper was suspended for one month.

TRACK TRIALS

ROUSING SPURT BY HINDUSTAN ZINDABAD

Pravina And Parthian Shape Well

(BY OUR TRACK REPORTER)

The following are the track-trials noted at Mahaluxmi:—

OUTER TAN

JAIWANT (Roberts) covered impressively seven furlongs in 1 min. 36 secs.

BRAVE PRINCE (Shaikh) moved freely over a mile and clocked 1 min. 50 secs.

PRAVINA (Rickaby) did a rousing ten furlongs gallop in 2 mins. 16 2/5 sec. AYAAZ (Kadam) who was picked as the seven failed to cope with the fact pace and was a couple of lengths behind at the end.

TANTALUM (Cunningham) comfortably disposed of YIPEE (RB) when covering six furlongs in 1 min 22 3/5 secs.

COCKPIT PRIDE (Cunningham) and ARMY AND NAVY (Argade) were sent on easy pace and covered a mile in 1 min. 54 1/2 secs.

SHUBH LUXMI (Aurobinda) covered three furlongs in 36 secs.

MUBARAK (Rickaby) moved attractively over ten furlongs in 2 mins. 18 sec. Working fit now.

CHIN UP (Rickaby) was not fully stretched when covering seven furlongs in 1 min. 38 secs.

PRINCE OF RAMGARH (Rickaby) moved on the bit and recorded 2 mins. 21 1/2 secs. for ten furlongs.

BALAM (Kheem) Take On (Roberts) were sent on a St. Leger trial The first named was discinctly superior and clocked 2 mins. 16 2/5 secs. for the last ten furlongs. ON AND ON (Antoo) kept company of the pair over the last part and the trio recorded 36 1/5 secs for the last three.

AMAN (Khade) moved at half pace over distance BAHRAM KHAN (RB) was picked on the way. The last three where he was slightly sharpened was made in 39 secs.

NAVVARA (Uttam) and FITNA (Evans) were out for an airing and recorded 2 mins. 9 secs. for nine furlongs. Both are in fine fettle.

PRINCESS OF HINDUSTAN (Md. Khan) shaped better than POST TO POST (R.B.) when sent over 5. Timing 1 min. 7 secs.

ADORABLE (Shiba) moved in hand when covering six furlongs in 1 min. 22 1/2 secs.

PILLAR TO POST (Md. Khan) covered nine furlongs in 2 mins. 6 1/2 secs. at a fair pace. She is working fit now.

PANSUPARI (Md. Khan) and PATAKHA (R. B.) moved at their own liking when covering nine furlongs in 2 mins. 8 secs.

BLUE MIST (Khade) was lengths ahead of HER EXCELLENCY (R.B.) at the end of a nine furlongs gallop made in 2 mins. 4 secs.

POSTMASTER (Md. Khan) and PRINCESS PADMA (R.B.) cantered over a mile in 1 min. 56 secs.

GWALIOR EXPRESS (Roberts) and SINHGARH (Deshmukh) were in close order at the end of a gallop over five furlongs. The second-named was in hand and clocked 1 min. 7 secs.

BLUE ARROW (Rickaby) negotiated six furlongs in 1 min. 23 secs.

MANISHA (Sibbritt) disposed of Prince of Mahad (Arobinda) when doing a three furlongs in 36½ secs.

FIND OUT (Guman) had the measure of JUST WAIT (Purtu) when covering six furlongs in 1 min. 21 secs.

QUEEN OF GWALIOR (Roberts) did an impressive six furlongs in 1 min. 21 secs.

RACE GRASS

FULL POPPY (Shiba) spared a length from ANANT LAXMI (Deva Singh) when covering the last five in 1 min. 6½ secs.

POPPET (Mahomud Khan) was too good for AMAR HIND (R. B.) when covering six furlongs in 1 min. 21 secs.

PEGGOTTY (Pierce) and LONDON TAN (Kadam) lay in close order at the end of a six furlongs gallop done in 1 min. 20 secs.

PARTHIAN (Khade) showed the way to TRUMAN (K. Hassan) when engaged in a trial. The last seven were covered in 1 min. 36 secs.

SHAHI BAG (Rickaby) and MIMIZAN (Roberts) disputed superiority when engaged in a noteworthy nine secs.

the last four in 52 secs.

TODAY'S SPURTS ON TAN TRACK

MOULIN ROUGE (Damodar), BROKEN MASK (Purtu) and COURT DANCER (Shivanna) were in close order at the post when doing a three furlongs spurt in 36 secs.

NIRVANA (Kheem) and GOLD RIBBON (Antoo) spurted three furlongs in 36 1/5 secs.

ON AND ON (G. Chavan) moved at a fair pace when covering three furlongs in 37 1/2 secs.

ZAM ZAM (Khade) moved like a fit horse when covering three furlongs in 36 secs.

In a rousing spurt over three furlongs. Hindustan Zindabad (Sibbritt) comfortably held CRYSTAL (D'Monte) and PRIORATE (Evans) was far behind The Calcutta Challenger clocked 35 secs.

TAMASHA (G. Chavan) was closely attended by DEUCE OF CLUBS (Kheem) and ONSLAUGHT (Antoo) when making three furlongs in 36 1/5 secs.

JAIWANT (Roberts) did a smooth three furlongs in 37 secs.

CRESCENT (Guman) was very well in hand when covering three furlongs in 37 secs.

GINGER LADY (B. Khade) recorded 36 1/5 secs. for a noteworthy three furlongs spurt.

PRINCE OF RAMGARH (Rickaby) held FILMINDIA (Dsahrat) when engaged in a three furlongs spin. Prince moved at his own pace and clocked 36 secs.

AMAN (Khade) held NEAR IMAGE (Guman) when worked over three. Timing 36 1/2 secs.

CRESCENDO (Purshottam) failed to impress when covering three furlongs in 37 1/2 secs.

NAVVARA (Roberts) and FITNA (Evans) made a three furlongs spurt from 8 to 5 in 38 secs. Both moved unextended.

ACCEPTANCES

THE DADAR PLATE—6 Furs.

Viveca 9-1, Pavan 8-0, Manisha 8-11, Deuce of Clubs 8-8, King of Diamonds 8-0, Trumpeldor 8-4, Tamasha 8-3, Onslaught 8-1, Prince of Mahad 8-2.

THE KHANDALA PLATE—(Div. II) 1 Mile, 1 Furlong.

Pearl Mahal 9-1, Wet Bob 9-0, Broken Mask 9-0, Crescendo 8-13, Army and Navy 8-12, Galatea 8-8, Adorable 8-7, Lalaji 8-3, Lady-in-Waiting 8-0, Bright Maid 7-10, Missing Link 7-8, Miss Rutty 7-4.

THE KHANDALA PLATE—(Div. I) 1 Mile, 1 Furlong.

Battle Out 9-0, Valiant Prince 8-12, Nasrullah 8-12, Kalpna 8-12, Battling Admiral 8-10, Court Dancer 8-9, Luminary 8-6, Pure Emerald 8-5, Brilliant Sunshine 8-5, Golden Square 8-4, My Chance 8-3, Ginger Lady 8-3, Pathan 7-13.

THE CHIEF OF KAGAL MEMORIAL PLATE—7 Furlongs.

Crystal 9-4, Jaiwant 8-4, Coup d'Etat 8-1, Paper King 7-11, Zam Zam 7-9, Gipsy Gem 7-6.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S CUP—THE INDIAN ST. LEGER—1¾ Miles.

Balam 9-0, Prince of Ramgarh 9-0, Hindustan Zindabad 9-0, Aman 9-0, Crescent 9-0, Take On 9-0, Fitna 8-11.

THE DHAR PLATE—1 Mile.

Repartee 9-0, Near Image 9-0, Rajput Warrior 8-13, Black Page 8-12, Khundil 8-7, Rana Pratap 8-1, Sohni 8-0, Dragon Seed 8-0, Paramount Power 7-13, Chin Up 7-12.

THE BYCULLA CLUB CUP—1¼ Miles

Priorate 9-12, Shahi Bag 9-8, Mimizan 7-1, Ferial 8-5, Pillar to Post 8-0, Navvara 7-8, Kunigal Star 7-1, Pravina 7-1, Mubarak 7-0, Quicksand 7-0.

THE C. JENNINGS PLATE—1¼ Miles.

Crescent 9-4, Game Bid 9-2, Nirvana 9-1, Filmindia 9-0, Courage 9-0, Moulin Rouge 8-11, Pan Supari 8-11, Blue Mist 8-10, Ariel Mail 8-4, Cockpit Pride 8-3, D. Day 8-3, Blue Lotus 7-13, Windsor Knight 7-9, Luminous 7-8.

Davinder In Last Eight

English Badminton Championships

LONDON, March 2 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Malayan, Indian and American players dominated the opening stages of the men's singles in the All-England Badminton championship which began at Harringay Arena here today.

It was a day of suprises, for before the third round had been completed, no less than four of the eight seeded players, including the Danish holder Joan Skaarup, had been eliminated.

Malayans provided two of these upsets, Law Teik Hock, their number three beating Nils Jonson, the Swedish Ace, a straight games, and Lim Fee Fong accounting for Martin Mendez, the American number two, in similar manner.

FREEMAN'S PERFECT DISPLAY

Dave Freeman, 28-year-old American doctor, justified his position as favourite for the title, beating his fellow American and doubles partner Wynn Rogers to reach the last 16 with a perfect exhibition. Freeman thus maintained his unbeaten record over the past ten years.

Freeman's compatriot Carl Loveday also gave a perfect display in beating Skaarup in three games. Loveday clashes with Law Teik Hock in the quarterfinals. Wong Peng Soon the Singapore champion was not extended in either of his matches to reach the last eight and was particularly impressive against the Danish Thomas Cup player Preben Dabelsteen. His next opponent is India's star Davinder Mohan Lal.

The third round will be completed tomorrow, when Ooi Teik Hock, the Malayan champion, meets Ole Jonson of Denmark; Lim Ree Fong of Malaya clashes with India's captain George Lewis, and H. Ferreira of India has the unenviable task of trying to end Dave Freeman's long run of victories.

Carl Loveday of the United States Thomas Cup provided the biggest surprise so for by eliminating Joan Skarrup, Danish holder of the title, in the third round the third seeded player of the day to be beaten. Loveday won 15-9, 15-17 and 15-7.

Davinder Mohan Lal had a surprisingly easy third round win over Preben Dabelsteen the Danish Thomas Cup player by 15-2, 15-3.

George Lewis of India did not have to fight hard to overcome K. Christensen of Denmark in the second round. The match was devoid of thrills but Lewis's better position and his cross lobs gave him the match at 15-8 and 15-17.

MEN'S SINGLES:

SECOND ROUND—G. Lewis (India) beat K. Christensen (Denmark) 15-8, 15-17.

Lim Kee Fong (Malaya) beat M. Mendez (United States) 15-11, 17-15.

H. Ferreira (India) beat H. Wingfield (England) 15-13, 15-9.

Dave Freeman (United States) beat Wynn Rogers (United States) 15-10 15-2.

Wong Peng Soon (Malaya) beat H. Dart (England) 15-0, 15-2.

THIRD ROUND—Davinder Mohan Lal (India) beat A Williams (United States) 15-5, 15-7.

Wong Peng Soon (Malaya) beat Preben Dabelsteen (Denmark) 15-2 15-3.

Law Teik Hock (Malaya) beat Nils Jonson (Sweden) 15-7, 15-1.

INDIA TO BE ANTI-RED BULWARK

Delhi Conference Has Evolved Plans For Asia

LONDON, March 2, (U.P.A.): The Governments of the Commonwealth have decided to reach an understanding with "genuine nationalists" in Southeast Asia to check the spread of Communism, a high Commonwealth Government source said today.

He said the decision was reached at the New Delhi conference on Burma last Monday. He added that the formulation of such a policy will be discussed at the projected Commonwealth meeting either at Ottawa or at Colombo later this year.

Commonwealth Government sources said decisions taken at the projected conference "could prove more important than China's change to Communism" with eventually a single representative at the United Nations to prevent Commonwealth countries from being dwarfed by the United States and Russia.

Commonwealth sources said that developments pointed to India's eventual emergence as the key centre of a Southeast Asia "coalition" to counter the Communist expansion.

The plan would call for attempts to disassociate the Karan uprising in Burma from Communist movements, while in Malaya efforts would be made to foster natural nationalist aspirations over Communist opportunism.

SLACKNESS IN GANDHI MEMORIAL FUND COLLECTIONS

Rajendra Prasad Criticises Bihar Congressmen

PATNA, March 2 (API).—Dr. Rajendra Prasad President of the Gandhi National Memorial Fund Committee addressing members of the Bihar Committee here today regretted that sufficient collections had not been made so far for the Fund and said that this would not have happened if Congressmen had shown half the zeal and enthusiasm they used to show in procuring votes in elections. He was convinced that the real dearth was of collectors and not contributors.

Although experts had calculated that if collections were made according to plan it would be possible to raise about Rs. 150 crores, he himself, however, had not expected so much. But he had expected at least Rs. 35 crores on the basis of rupee one per head. But this expectation had also been sadly believed. "This surely is due to our slackness," he said. "I must frankly admit the painful fact that Congressmen failed me."

Turning to Bihar Dr. Prasad said that his own province had lagged behind all other provinces in the matter of collections which which was only slightly over rupees 21 lakhs now. He gave an ultimatum to member of the Provincial Committee, particularly Congressmen that if they wanted him to come and stay in the province they must, draw up their plans districtwise to make concerted drive for collections by tomorrow morning and satisfy him they meant to execute it.

Dr. Prasad pointed out that only two months were left for completing the collections for the Fund and said that Congressmen must devote all their energies to this task. He knew that the provincial Assembly was sitting but he did not know how many members attended it. His own experience in the Central Assembly was that, only 40 to 50 members attended it regularly. He would like that those members of the Provincial Assembly who would be spared should be believed for this work without, however, affecting the quorum.

The Provincial Committee should draw up such a plan that every householder was approached even in the remotest villages for contributions. "It did not matter if any one refused to give contributions. But no one should be left unapproached. He jokingly said that they should not forget the forthcoming elections. If they approached the people for contributions now they could come in direct contact with the voters and this would surely help them in the next elections.

British And U. S. 'Reds' Support Maurice Thorez

LONDON, March 2 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Harry Pollitt, General Secretary of Britain's Communist Party tonight defined his attitude towards the recent declarations by M. Maurice Thorez and Signor Palmiro Togliatti, French and Italian Communist leaders.

"You asked me what I would do. I will tell you straight. Exactly the same as Bevin and Attlee did in 1920, that is, organise strikes and set up a council of action to prevent war against the Soviet Union."

He was referring to the "hands off Russia" campaign in the war of intervention in Russia, when the western Governments supported the White Russian forces against the Bolshevists.

WE WILL DEFEAT U. S. IMPERIALISM

NEW YORK, March 2 (PTI-Reuter): Communist leaders here today said members of the American Communist Party would "co-operate with all democratic forces to defeat the predatory war aims of American imperialism."

The declaration came in a statement which commended the remarks recently made by M. Maurice Thorez and Signor Palmiro Togliatti, French and Italian Communist leaders, as "emphatically" serving the cause of peace.

The declaration said American Communists would co-operate in an effort to bring any war begun by American imperialism "to a speedy conclusion on the basis of a democratic peace."

The statement was issued on behalf of Mr. William Z. Foster, Chairman of the National Committee of the Communist Party, and Mr. Eugene Dennis, General Secretary.

DUM DUM OUTRAGE ECHO IN LORDS

LONDON, March 2 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Viscount Addison, Lord Privy Seal, was questioned in the British House of Lords today about the murder of three Britons in an attack on the British engineering firm of Jessop and Company in Calcutta, on Saturday.

Relating details of the incident, he said the raiders' object was apparently to seize arms at a munitions factory. The attack on Jessops works seemed to have been intended as a diversion.

A number of arrests had been made in which three policemen were also killed. The British High Commissioner for India was in close touch with the Indian Government on this matter, he added.

Lord Swinton, Opposition Conservative Member who had raised the matter, said sympathy would go out for both the English and Indian victims of "this Communist outrage".

Aga Khan's Health

BOMBAY, March 3: Telegraphic advice received in Bombay by the State office of H. H. the Aga Khan say that His Highness, although still in hospital in Paris, continues to make satisfactory progress. No further bulletin would be issued until it is time for the Aga Khan to leave the hospital, the telegram added.

Unite Provinces Under One Administration

Feroz Khan Noon's Suggestion To W. Pakistan

KARACHI, March 3 (A.P.I.): Malik Firoz Khan Noon, today proposed that the provinces of Western Pakistan should be united under one administration.

Speaking in the Pakistan Parliament during the budget debate he said that either the West Punjab and the Sind should be amalgamated into one province, and Baluchistan and the North West Frontier into another; or that all four should be united.

"Unless this is done it is impossible to have an efficient administration in these very small provinces", he declared.

Chief Justice Malik Sworn In

LUCKNOW, March 2 (UPI): The Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court, Mr. Justice B. Malik, was sworn in this morning at Government House to act as Governor of the United Provinces until a successor to late Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, is appointed.

The oath of office was administered by Mr. Justice K. L S Misra of the Oudh Chief Court, Lucknow.

ALLEGED TO HAVE STOLEN GOODS WORTH RS. 25,000

Police Arrest Three Persons

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Alleged to have stolen cloth and other goods valued at Rs. 25,000 from a godown at Picket Road, Royalsingh Amarsing and two others including a lorry driver were arrested by the Bombay Police yesterday.

according to the police, the accused broke open the lock of the godown in broad day light and removed goods. While they were transfering the stolen goods in a lorry they were arrested near Kings Circle. The accused were remanded to custody by Mr. K. J. Khambatta, Presidency Magistrate ta the Esplanade Police Court to-day.

ALLEGED LEADER OF THIEVES ARRESTED

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Hussain Walji described as the ring leader of young thieves who committed a large number of thefts in Bombay Docks Shed was arrested by the police yesterday.

The Police stated that he had engaged a gang of thieves and set them to remove radios, motor's spare parts and other goods from the wooden cases lying in the docks' shed.

In this connection the police have already arrested a number of persons and their statements are alleged to have disclosed that Hussain was their leader and receiver of stolen property

He was remanded to custody at the Esplanade Police Court to-day.

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Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide
In the strife of Truth and Falsehood, for the good or evil side.
—J. R. LOWELL

CHALLENGE TO SECURITY COUNCIL

The Indonesian Republican leaders have finally rejected the Dutch invitation to a Round Table Conference. They are on firm ground as regards justification of their attitude. For the conditions of the conference are deliberately based on non-recognition of the Republic. The Indonesian leaders' rejection is further strengthened by the equally deliberate strategy of the Dutch to by-pass the United Nations Commission. Indeed, this aspect of Dutch conduct has just been brought out by the Commission itself in a long report covering events of the past month. It says that it regards the Netherlands invitation to attend a Round Table Conference at the Hague as "a counter-proposal or substitute" for the Security Council resolution of January last. Its argument is simple and convincing, namely, that "the procedures to be adopted preliminary to the transfer of sovereignty, irrespective of the ultimate objective of the Netherlands proposals are not those contemplated by the resolution". This is unanswerable and, as a matter of fact, the Dutch themselves do not deny it.

Nor, is this defiance of the Security Council's resolution and its Commission without the background of other Dutch failures immediately preceding it. The Commission reports a "progressive deterioration" of the situation in Indonesia from which an "augmented danger to world stability must result." And it is solely due to the Dutch attitude. As the Commission says, it has not been possible to proceed with the implementation of the Security Council's resolution, due entirely to Dutch non-co-operation. The parties, it accuses, have failed to agree on an interim Federal Government because of 'the failure of the Netherlands Government to accept the procedure of the resolution of January 28, and not from a mere difference of viewpoint on details of Government structure and functions." And no progress has been made in the direction of hostilities either, because the work of the Board of Military Observers was "severely handicapped" by the Dutch refusal to allow it information or opportunity to observe areas on the Dutch side "in which unrest is said to continue". What more is needed to condemn the Dutch and their policy in Indonesia? The U. N. Commission has asked the Security Council for instructions. The Dutch have openly defied the Security Council in every way and at every stage, they have defeated, so far, the objectives of its resolution and their Round Table Conference is a challenge not only to Republicans, but more strikingly so to the United Nations Security Council. It is now upto the Security Council.

It's A Spicy Story

When Vasco Da Gama braved the perils of the stormy Atlantic and rounding the Cape of Good Hope landed on Indian soil, he declared he had come here in search of "spices and souls to save". He knew how to put first things first. The long race of buccaneers, merchants, colonisers and empire-builders who followed him, did not need to be as sanctimonious. They could afford to drop the soul-saving business and plainly speak of the lure of the wealth of Ind—consisting chiefly of textiles and gold and a great deal else of the produce of Nature's tropical extravagance. And in this last category spices have always had a very high place. From the snows of Kashmir where hardy men work of pick and sort the golden-hued saffron blossoms to the backwaters of Malabar where white-clad women pick th tiny red pepper berries from the dark green creepers, India yields a wide variety of spices. It is true that Spain, Greece and France compete with India in the production of saffron, and Indonesia grows as much pepper as India. It is also true that Ceylon grows cinnamon as good as that of India and China a thing called cassi, which only an expert can tell apart from cinnamon. It is even true that India actually imports cloves from East Africa. But there is no land [illegible] as [illegible] historic sizer off Amarsingh was an[illegible] C. K. Nayudu e Gomes b Atkinson 12 [illegible] has firmly placed that beautiful land in the orbit of India. One must wait also, perhaps, till the pepper producing areas, the three units of Travancore, Cochin and the Malabar Districts of Madras Presidency, are integrated into a single unit, which last consideration must give joy to the heart of the ardent campaigner for a United Kerala Province. Well, truly the world's affairs are very much inter-dependent, as our beloved Prime Minister and our spices constantly remind us!

does not seem to have included the story of the python, which, unable to resist the overpowering sweetness of cardamom, feasts like a gormet on its fresh green pods, and than dies of surfeit. Men cut up the python then and take out the undigested cardamom and this way get the top quality, because, the python's instinct, truer than the knowledge and skill of mere man, helps it to pick the best. We could tell other tales too, but we are not so much interested in the romantic, as (true to the age of commerce in which we live) in the economics of spices. We were subjected to economic exploitation because we had the spices. We still have the spices and maybe, we have learnt to put them to our own use.

Jones tells us the United States consumes annually between 30,000,000 to 40,000,000 pounds of pepper, the bulk of which is furnished by India. He also reveals that saffron, the world's costliest spice, fetches as much as 40 dollars per found. What a prospect this information opens up before us. If only India could effectively control and organise the production and export of these commodities and get from Uncle Sam the prices worthy of his bulging pockets, the Finance Minister who comes from the land of pepper, might have a different tale to tell about dollar shortage. But [illegible]

pepper, cardamom, cloves, cinnamon, nutmeg and a host of others each with its own peculiar taste and distinct aroma

It is, therefore, gratifying to learn that the "National Geographic Magazine" carries in its current issue an illustrated article describing the spices of India. Stuart E. Jones, the writer of the article, tells many tall tales retailed by the spice merchants of the difficulties of obtaining the trade goods and the reasons for the [illegible] charged by them. He

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT.

BUDAPEST, March 2.

Five of the 13 defendants charged with black-market operations in connection with the case of Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, withdrew their confessions to the police today, saying they had been 'intimidated'.

They complained of nervous overstrain during questioning and of ill-health.—U.P.A.

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At the protest meeting held by the Bombay Akali Dal, the speakers said that Government had misunderstood the activities of the Akalis and demanded the release of Master Tara Singh.

Does any one, can any one, understand Master Tara Singh?

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The United States has loudly announced that an American B-50 Superfortress today completed a four-day 23,000 mile non-stop flight round the world by mid-air refuelling at four points along the route.

If the Americans think they have achieved an invincible weapon of victory, they should revise their thought. The Russians are now completing a non-stop world flight with a whole series of super-fortress in relays fuelling, of course at the corresponding stages. We mean, (Frau Thores (France)—Togliatti (Italy)—Politt (Britain)—Loevlien (Norway) further progress of this non-stop relay flight of pro-Soviet "pursuit of aggressors" declarations to be reported later.

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It was, the American report proudly adds, a demonstration to the world that no enemy objective is outside the range of the Air Force bomber's flight.

Exactly. This is the objective of the other demonstration too.

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Explaining the Dutch conception of the proposed United States of Indonesia, Dr. Beel promised that it would be a federal democratic state in every respect but, yes, "but one condition will be that the constitution of the future United States of Indonesia should be in conformity with the statute proposed for the Netherlands Indonesian Union."

See the Dutch point? Good.

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"It is", Dr. Beel firmly repudiated "not the intention of the Netherlands Government to retain any reserved powers after the transfer of sovereignty."

No, of course not. The reserve powers will vest not in the Netherlands Government, but in the Netherlandish Government of the Netherlands-Indonesian Union. Which, as you will agree, makes a Dutch of a lot of difference.

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AMMAN: March 1—Transjordan due to begin peace talks with Israel at Rhodes today, has sent "adequate frontier garrisoning forces" to the Palestine frontier after an encounter between the Arab Legion and a Jewish reconnaissance force, it was authoritatively stated here.

Transjordan need not worry. Israel will gladly accommodate its good friend Transjordan, which has done so much so fully to accommodate Israel in Palestine.

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The British Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee, will visit Germany from March four to seven for the purpose of inspecting the British arrangements for the Berlin airlift; says a London report.

He had better take care and see that, while in Berlin he doesn't accidentally step on or across the dividing line. Otherwise—well it would be interesting to watch developments.

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According to a Saigon report in the past few days two leading Annamese nationalists not connected with Dr. Ho Chi-Minh's Vietminh party, have been assassinated and a third kidnapped.

In the circumstances, the culprits clearly are members of Dr. Ho Chi-Minh's party.

"Lavish Taxation" In Bombay Province

BUDGET UNDER FIRE: SALES TAX ON DAILY NECESSITIES CRITICISED IN COUNCIL

BOMBAY, THURSDAY.

THE IMMPOSITION OF SALES TAX ON EVERYDAY NECESSITIES OF LIFE, THE LEVY ON EXPORTABLE GOODS, THE DEPLETION OF THE PROVINCIAL REVENUES BY THE INTRODUCTION OF THE PROHIBITION PROGRAMME AND THE MOUNTING EXPENDITURE ON CIVIL ADMINISRATION WERE STRONGLY CRITICISED BY SEVERAL SPEAKERS IN THE BOMBAY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TODAY WHEN THE GENERAL DISCUSSION ON THE BUDGET COMMENCED.

"Lavish Taxation"

Sir Behram Karanjia who initiated the discussion characterised the Budget as "an absolutely reactionary Budget", the dominating feature of which, he said, was lavish taxation. He reminded the Finance Minister that his last year's promise not to burden the common man with additional imposts has not only not been fulfilled, but grossly ignored. Sir Behram asked whether such a policy of taxation would bring about the much desired fall in prices and the cost of living.

According to Sir Behram, many items of a non-recurring nature have been incorporated in the Budget which, to a large extent, resulted in the deficit. In spite of the directive from the Centre to keep a separate account in connection with the merger of states into the province, the Finance Minister has incorporated this head in the Budget, showing an exuenditure of Rs. 38 lakhs which has added to the deficit.

The speaker further questioned the advisability of the contribution of Rs. 2 crores to the Debt Redemption Fund from the general revenues. Under the scheme of nationalisation of road transport, Rs. 2 crores has been invested, which, he said, should have been put under capital account and not on the revenue side as has been done in the budget.

ADDITIONAL IMPOSTS

It was his view that the additional imposts could have been avoided if Government did not include non-recurring expenditure in the Budget Remarking that such taxes would have an adverse effect on the popular mind, Sir Behram drew the attention of the House to the mounting expenditure on civil administration. He suggested a proper reorganisation of the various departments, scrapping out unnecessary and superfluous ones.

SHARE OF INCOME-TAX

He said that Bombay's share of the income-tax was very low compared to other provinces and he strongly urged Government to represent to the Centre for a fair share on this account. Instead of the present share of Rs. 9 crores, Bombay should get Rs. 13 crores which would have wiped out the deficit in the budget. He also demanded a proper share from the enhanced duty on petrol.

Sir Behram criticised the levy on exportable goods, which, he said, would adversely affect Bombay's export trade and said that such a tax was bad in principle. Articles of everyday life like sugar, tamarind, poultry, betel nuts etc. should be exempted from sales tax, he urged.

He argued that the responsibility of maintaining the refugees was that of the Central Government and that the Bombay Government should strongly protest to the Centre for the imposition of this burden on them.

PROHIBITION

The speaker also suggested the opening of depots for the sale of liquor to derive full benefit from the enhanced duty, instead of leaving the merchants free to amass more money by evading the payment of taxes. He did not object to the prohibition programme as such, but it was not desirable to impose more taxes in furtherance of this programme.

Sir Fasul Ibrahim Rahimtullah congratulated the Finance Minister for the able manner in which he has framed the Budget. In his view, the deficit resulted from the fact that the province has not only been deprived of its due share from the Centre, but additional burdens have been placed on its resources.

Sir Fazul said that only 5 per cent of the population were habitual addicts and he doubted the wisdom of imposing additional burden on the whole population for the benefit of this small fraction. He said that the prohibition programme at this juncture was not in consonance with the anti-inflationary policy of the Government of India.

IRRIGATION PROJECTS

Mr. Senasing D. Patil said that provision for irrigation works was inadequate. Irrigation was vitally important, more so because of the vagaries of the monsoon, and he did not agree with Government's decision to give up minor irrigation projects.

He suggested that more impetus should be given to agriculturists for increasing production of food grains.

Mr. Alibhai Ishabai Patel described the famine conditions in the Broach District and said that Government help came very late. Acute water scarcity was being felt there and Government should give immediate relief to the agriculturists. He also urged that cattle fodder should be supplied freely.

Mr. V. M. Vedak complained of administrative inefficiency in as much as the plans proposed by Government was not being adequately implemented by officers in his constituency.

Mr. N. D. Kadadi said that Government should give full scope to the district authorities to push up the various agricultural plans of Government.

Discussion will continue tomorrow.

Councillor's Assault On Teacher Figures In Council

BOMBAY, Thursday.—The alleged assault on a school teacher of a Municipal school in Poona, by a Municipal Councillor figured at question time in the Bombay Legislative Council today.

Replying to a question by Mr. R. N. Mandalik, the Prime Minister B. G. Kher said that it was reported to Government that Mr. D. G. Salunke, the school teacher in question, was abused and caned in March last year by Mr. B. Parge, the then Chairman of the Municipal School Board, Poona, in the presence of the Headmaster of the school.

Mr. Kher further stated that the Director of Public Instruction enquired into the incident and has submitted a report to Government. He assured that proper action would be taken against Mr. Parge who has already resigned the membership of the School Board.

The Prime Minister, replying to questions from the same member, said that Government deputed the Chief Secretary to Government, the Secretary to Legal Department the Home Secretary, the Finance Secretary and certain other officers to give evidence before the Dar Commission on Linguistic Provinces and that their views represented their individual opinions and not those of Government.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

"The S.S.C. Examination Board"

Sir,—I am constrained to write these lines in view of the fact that the S. S. C Examination Board recently appointed by the Government of Bombay, has been muddling its affairs. The new academic year has already started from March 1. Still the heads of the schools have not been properly guided regarding the detailed syllabus to be followed in schools during the year. It is imperative on the part of the Board who regard themselves as the custodians of the educational future of our country that they chalk out their programme in advance so as to make it easy for the school authorities to implement that programme. I believe that this indiscreet silence and negligence on the part of the Board amounts to keeping us in the dark.

In the month of January, the chairman of the Board, Mr. G. R. Paranjape, in an interview granted to the correspondent of "Kirloskar", indicated that a student seeking entrance to a college ought in any case to take up Mathematics or Science as one of the subjects in the S.S.C, Examination. This fact has been either not mentioned or has been slurred over in the circular sent by the Board to schools of the Province in the month of December last. This state of affairs is bound to cause confusion, and here again the Board has not given the proper guidance to the school authorities.

In these circumstances, will the authorities concerned enlighten the public on these grave matters and discharge their duties even at this late hour?—Yours etc.,

M. R. BALE

The Case Of Mr. Khan

Sir,—We desire to bring before the notice of the Indian people the case of an Indian, Mr. Fazal Ali Khan, who entered Australia in 1946 as a visitor.

The White Australia policy forbids Indian Nationals to enter this country as immigrants and the period allowed for visitors is six months and they are not permitted to seek employment.

Mr. Khan was forced to overstay the period permitted due to lack of funds caused by the destruction of his property in west Punjab. Although Mr. Khan stated his case to the authorities, he was arrested, tried and convicted to a prison sentence, pending his deportation.

The Australian Government maintains that it retains this immigration law to protect its economic well being but such cases as this one indicates clearly that it is based on racial discrimination. A number of Asiatics have been given similar treatment during the last year.—Yours etc.,

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"The Hedgehog"

Sir,—I was most interested to read in Mr. Gunjikar's letter in Tuesday's Chronicle that he had seen Hedgehogs in Ahmedabad. I have not so far been fortunate enough to see this animal in India, and had been told that it was very rare here, and I am, therefore, grateful to Mr. Gunjikar for telling me of his experiences.

In England, I had, many years ago, kept a hedgehog as a pet for a short time. It was discovered one morning, entangled in the tennis net, and when, with sorely pricked fingers, we managed to extricate it, we kept it in the green-house, feeding it on bread and milk, which it seemed to relish, to supplement its general diet of insects, slugs and snails.

In England, too, the hedgehog is well-known for its bravery in attacking snakes, but there, for some time, it suffered because it had somehow achieved an undeserved reputation for stealing milk from the cows as they lay in the field chewing the cud. Hedgehogs are protected from the cows as they lay in the field cud. Hedgehogs are protected from most animal enemies by their armour of spines, but many die at the hands of the wandering gypsy who considers their flesh a great delicacy. The hedgehog is coated in clay and roasted in the ashes of the campfire.—Yours etc.,

D. R.

'Students' Grievances'

Sir,—With reference to the letter entitled 'Students' Grievances' and published in the "Bombay Chronicle" of February 1, 1949, may I point out that the impression that students are experiencing 'unparalleled hardships' as a result of the University of Bombay and the Secondary School Certificate Board holding their examinations simultaneously is incorrect? The students from this province will have to appear only for the S.S.C. examination.

I shall feel grateful if you kindly publish this clarification of the actual position and remove the misleading impression created by the letter.—Yours etc.,

S. A. AGER

MADRAS OFFERS OOTY TO CENTRE

MADRAS, March 3. (A.P.I.): A question about the future of the Nilgiris—the queen of hill-stations in India—was raised in the Madras Assembly to-day.

Mr. K. Bokkai Gowder asked the Leader of the House whether the Madras Government would recommend to the Government of India to make the Nilgiris a centrally administered district in order to make it a pucca health resort and tourist centre.

Mr. B. Gopala Reddi, Leader of the House, said that representation to that effect had been made by the questioner himself to Pandit Nehru while he was in Ootacamund in last June. "we are awaiting Pandit Nehru's reaction to the proposal," he said.

Earlier, Mr. Gopala Reddi said that in view of the high cost involved the Madras Government had given up once for all the practive of moving the Secretariat to Ootacamund during summer.

Ration Increase In Madras

MADRAS, March 3 (UPI): The Madras Government have decided to increase the overall ration from 10 ounces to 12 ounces, throughout the Presidency. The increase will take effect from March 6.

DURBAN RIOTS ENQUIRY

Allegations Against Indians

DURBAN, March 2, (PTI-Reutet): The Judicial Commission enquiring into the recent racial rioting in Durban is continuing its daily sittings. With the withdrawal of the Indian Congress and the African Congress has also a number of trade unions as a protest against the Commission ruling against cross-examination of witnesses the proceedings of the Commission are tending to become monotonous.

Today, for example, the Government officials were the witnesses. One of them, Mr. O.F.D. Nel, acting native commissioner told the Commission that he had heard "more than 30,000 complaints by Africans" since November 1945. He also referred to a meeting which he said was attended by 15,000 to 20,000 Africans the previous night, at which members of the Zulu Royay House" were present.

One of the complaints of Africans metioned by Mr. Nel was this: "We accept European as our master—We will not tolerate a second master (Indians)".

Mr. Nel said that Africans had told him; "All we want is for the Government to provide the ships and we will see the Indians on the way to India. We will help them back."

At an earlier hearing another official, the Chief Native Commissioner of Natal, alleged that one of the causes of the trouble between Indians and Africans was "Large scale seduction of African girls by Indians".

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Change Of Party

Mr. R. A. Khedgikar has, it is reported, left the Legislative Congress Party in this province and joined the Socialists. Convention requires that he should resign his seat in the Legislative Assembly and allow the railway constituency to express its opinion. Possibly Mr. Khedgikar might prove indispensable to the constituency, no matter what party he belongs to. It would be not surprising if he himself thinks that this is the real position. But it is a matter for the constituency to decide, not Mr. Khedgikar. The Socialists have frequently spoken of the necessity for developing healthy conventions. Here is an opportunity for them to show by practice the spirit of democracy. Mr. Khedgikar, we are sure, will have to respect the wishes of the new party he has joined, if they are expressed with sufficient strength. It is now up to the Socialists to give the right lead. Conventions cannot be expected to operate in [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible]

[illegible] when Ahmed (D.S.I.S.) and Sultan Ahmed of the same institute clashed [illegible] secs.

Something For Nothing

It is a sound axiom of the business world that one should not expect something for nothing. Yet Mr. Lalji Mehrotra, President of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry expressed the view in his address to the 22nd Annual meeting that foreign capital can be obtained without incurring economic dependence. So far as foreign capital can be secured without obligation to any particular nation, Dr. John Matthai, the Finance Minister, indicated in his budget speech that all the sources were being tapped. There is no prejudice against foreign capital as such but there is a very reasonable feeling that it should not come with tags attached to it. Mr. Mehrotra referred to many independent nations which invited foreign capital for initial development. China is an outstanding example. And Mr. Mehrtora was very particular in warning against the dangers of a similar development. In explaining some of the uneasiness of the business community, the President observed that they were largely due to the overloading of industry with labour legislation. "The volume of labour legislation," he said, "was growing in inverse proportion to the state of immaturity of our industrial development." We should have thought that this was the right thing since benefits to labour can be extended as industries shed immaturity. On the question of profit-sharing, Mr. Mehrotra asked that it should be restricted to ensuring fair remuneration to workers and not extend to a proprietory interest. He welcomed it as a move towards creating a greater interest in the workers in their duties.

Denial

BRAVE PRINCE [illegible] Government denied reports circulating from London and Karachi that proposals from the Indian Government had been received for a division of Kashmir. Evidently in spite of this denial, the people of Pakistan were being led to think that something was brewing in this direction and the Muslim League there passed a resolution that the people of Pakistan would not accept partition in Kashmir. Even this has failed to convince the Pakistanis and now the Pakistan Government has come out with a strong denial condemning as dangerous these insinuations in a section of the press. It is difficult to understand the heat of the repudiation. After all, the Pakistan Government does seek an immediate division when it presses for some form of recognition of the "Azad Kashmir Government" as the local authority in the territories still infested by raiders. The U.N. plebiscite proposals are very clear that the whole of Kashmir will have its fate decided as an integral unit in the plebiscite. If the Pakistan Government still continues to argue the issue with itself, the only inference is that it is throwing out feelers whilst appearing to promise a strong resistance to its own people. It is best to say now that this is the one point on which the Indian Government sees eye to eye with the Government of Pakistan.

Gratifying Failure

That section of the Sikh community, which still misguidedly follows Master Tara Singh and supports his destructive policies, did not listen to the advice of Sardar Baldeo Singh. But it is gratifying to note from reports so far received that the rest of the Sikh community did. The associates of Master Tara Singh had fixed March 2 as day of protest against the policy [illegible] unextended.

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[illegible] ties and the arrest of their leader. The Sikhs in general appear to have responded to the call of Sardar Baldeo Singh rather than to that of Masterji's lieutenants. Protest demonstrations fizzled out, so to speak. At only one place, Patiala, did the protest attain proportions of some slight significance. At Amritsar, however, there appears to have flared up serious trouble. But it was between two sections of the Sikhs. It is deplorable that the trouble should have taken a violent turn. But there is another noteworthy point about it, namely, that Sikhs are standing up to Master Tara Singh's policy and leadership in open opposition. It is an important point,

OPEN AIR

Despite the abnormal heat we are experiencing during the day just now, there is a pleasant freshness in the air in the early mornings. The sun shines out through a fine white mist, and the gardens, which in a few hours will look jaded by the heat, now look fresh and inviting. The birds, seem full of the joy of living. The sparrows, sitting in guava tree, fluff out their [illegible] and Russia.

Pretty-Pretty" over and over again in such a loud voice, that it seems like an invitation to go out to share the beauty of the morning. These fresh misty morning arose in me a nostalgic longing to go far out into the country away from all the bustle, noise and worry of our crowded and artificial town life.

D. R.

The mynahs on the rooftop do the same, expressing their happiness by shriller calls. Sitting on the top of a wireless aerial, a magpie robin, spruce in his suit of shining black and white, pours out his morning song while another answers him from a distance. A bulbul whistles melodiously in the lantana hedge as he gathers his morning feast of ripe black berries, and a tailor bird, almost invisible as he hops about among the green leaves, calls "Pretty-

BULBUL WHISTLER.

Delhi Discussion On Budget Proposals

INCREASE IN POSTAL RATES CONDEMNED

Nehru's Moving Tributes To Mrs. Naidu In Dominion Parliament

NEW DELHI, March 3 (API): The Dominion Parliament today began general discussion of the Finance Minister, Dr. John Matthai's budget proposals after the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru had made a moving speech paying tribute to the memory of Srimati Sarojini Naidu to an entranced House.

There was an outspoken discussion. Many members took part. The proposal seeking to raise postal rates came in for a good deal of criticism. No one spoke in support of the proposal. All members were agreed that it would hit the Indian villager hard. One member characterised the proposal as "certainly very offensive."

Members generally agreed on the sums earmarked for defence expenditure. They also welcomed the relief extended to industry but wanted assurances from Government both on the question of nationalisation and compensation in the event of nationalisation.

Parliament began general discussion on the budget today. Pandit Hirday Nath Kunzru, the first speaker, said that before discussing the merits of the budget, he would place certain points which required "immediate attention".

India's food production must be increased; failure to do so had led to all other troubles. The export trade must be increased in order to obtain goods from abroad. With it were inter-connected the questions of greater production and lowering of prices. The disparity in prices which ruled here and abroad, like the U.K. or the U.S.A. must be reduced. It was "distressing" to find that the Government's decision on the economy committee's report was uncertain.

On the taxation proposals, Pandit Kunzru said that he preferred the present rates for post cards and covers. As regards the tax on coarse and medium cloth, he would ask the Finance Minister not to tax the cloth requirements of the poor.

DEFENCE EXPENDITURE

Considering the present international situation, he did not consider the level of Indian defence expenditure to be high. He would urge Government to take certain steps which would make the army career popular and produce contentment among officers. He was not suggesting an increase in the salary of the Indian commissioned officers but in view of the high cost of living, would ask Government to grant them certain concessions by way of sharing half the educational expenditure of their children and a reduction in their housing and other incidental charges.

As regards the Indian state forces, Pandit Kunzru said that Sardar Patel had done "magnificent work" in integrating the States and he hoped that the States Minister would complete his work by making the first class troops maintained by States an integral part of the Indian army. If that happened, then the defence expenditure would go up.

CONTROL OVER CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Pandit Kunzru said that there should be greater control over capital expenditure. The grossly unbalanced capital budgets during the last war had led to the present severe inflation and if the pressure continued there would be more difficulties.

If Government failed to consider at one and the same time both public as well as private expenditure, there was great danger that the forces of inflation, which had been controlled to some extent, might again get out of hand.

NATIONALISATION

It was difficult, he said, to judge the Government's present policy with regard to nationalisation. The stage had come when they had to decide whether to allow free enterprise or go in for a socialised economy. Unless the present uncertainty disappeared and the question was handled with greater precision and firmness, the measures undertaken by the Government would not produce the desired result.

Mr. Ramalingam Chettiar welcomed the relief the Finance Minister had extended to the industries in the share of exemption from the customs duties for the import of raw materials, increase in the depreciation fund and abolition of the capital gain tax. The operation of the capital gain tax, he said, had led to fraud and mis-representation of transactions. Mr. Chettiar felt that the reason for capitol not flowing into the industries was the absence of certain assurances by the Government in regard to industries. If the industries wanted help it was not the sort of relief that the Finance Minister was proposing.

They wanted an assurance on the question of nationalisation and control and on the question of compensation which was to be given if certain concerns were taken over by the Government, so far as industries were concerned. He said, no one would invest his money in any enterprise if he was not sure of a fair return for and safety of his money.

Mr. Chettiar said that a reassurance in regard to managing agents was also necessary. Managing agents were needed for planing and starting enterprises, though trade unions, investors and stock exchange did not want the agency system after enterprises had been functioning properly. Unless an assurance was given to them, managing agents would not start new enterprises.

INCOME TAX RELIEF

Speaking about the income tax relief, he said that though middle class people earing up to rupees ten thousand a year got relief ranging between Rs. 80 and Rs. 150 they had to pay half of the amvahow?

more for the cloth and sugar they used. The excise duties proposed now would come to about half of the relief that was given to them. But the burden fell not only on them but on those whose income was much less. If income was to be distributed and national wealth was not to be concentrated in any group of persons, it could be done by direct taxation. He opposed the principle of reducing direct taxation and replacing it by indirect taxation.

Mr. Chettiar also suggested limitation of dividends at 6 per cent for new companies and an average of 2 years profit to older companies. He criticised the relief sought to be given to those earning more than Rs. two lakhs a year whose number was about 499 but whose relief amounted to Rs 2 crores. He said that in the last 8 months Ahmedabad mills alone had made a profit of Rs. 75 crores and Coimbatore mills about Rs. 3 crores These huge incomes had been accumulated at the expense of consumers He felt that in several matters revenue was underestimated and expenditure overestimated and no concession had been given to possible retrenchment and economy in Government expenditure. If higher income tax relief was not given, along with the economy suggested by him, the Government would have been able to cover the deficit without resorting to fresh taxation.

INCREASE IN POSTAL RATES

Prof. K. T. Shah condemned the increases in postal rates and said that it was "adding insult to injury" to say that all mail would in future be carried by air. Did this country have sufficient planes and runways to fulfil that assurance?

When there were hardly 5,000 miles of air routes in this country, how were the villages going to be given an air mail service?

The means suggested by Dr. Matthai to balance the budget, he said, made him wonder if the Finance Minister had his heart" in the right place or wrong". While taxing the poor further, the Finance Minister was giving further relief to the industrialists who had so much superbundant income. Without charging Dr. Matthai with any lack of intellectual honesty", said Prof. Shah, we refuse to believe that Dr. Matthai himself believes that his budget is an equitable budget".

He criticised the wide disparities in estimates and actuals of revenue and expenditure. The budget estimates for customs alone, for instance, was Rs. 90 crores as against Rs. 117 crores actually realised. How could the Finance Minister account for this 45 per cent increase in one year's figure. Again, the Kashmir operations had commenced four months before the budget was present to the House last year and when this was so, was it for the Finance Minister to tell the House that no provision could be made under this head because the extent and duration of the operation could not be foreseen? "I do not think", said Prof. Shah, "that this is treating the House and the country with sufficient respect". He felt that the whole Defence expenditure needed close scrutiny, as in the past. The presence of their own Ministers on the treasury benches should not make any difference.

Teachers Not To Take Part In Communist Activities

MADRAS, March 3. (A.P.I.): The Director of Public Instruction has issued general instructions about the action to be taken against teachers who participate in Communist activities.

Mr. T. S. Avinashilingam Chettiar, Minister of Education, giving this information in the Madras Assembly today, did not reveal the nature of the instructions but said they were applicable in areas where Communist activities were reported among teachers. In Guntur, where Communist activity was on the increase, the managements of schools had been asked to furnish declarations from village munsiffs that none of their employees was taking part in C munist activities.

The Minister stated that Government would take every care to see that non-Communist teachers were not inconvenienced.

Arrested Bengal T. U. Leaders Sent To Calcutta

MADRAS, March 3 (API.) Messrs. Durga Banerjee and six other Bengal delegates to the meeting of the Supreme Council of the Union of Posts and Telegraph Workers who were arrested here on February 23 and remanded to custody under Section 515 Cr. P. C. were removed to Calcutta by train last night. They will, it is learnt, be handed over to the Calcutta police authorities.

PURSE FOR GANDHI MEMORIAL FUND

The second instalment of Rs. 28,000 in addition to a sum of Rs. 1,64,000 previously given by the C. P. Police towards the Gandhi National Memorial Fund was presented to the Hon'ble Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Deputy Prime Minister, Govt. of India at the Sonegaon Aerodrome before the Deputy Prime Minister took off for Delhi on his way from Hyderabad. A guard of honour was also presented by the Police. Present at the Aerodrome were H. E. the Governor, Shri M. M. Pakvasa, Hon'ble Pt. R. S. Shukla, Premier, Hon'ble Pt. D. P. Mishra, Home Minister, and other Ministers of the Cabinet. The Deputy Prime Minister receiving the purse.

Indore Letter

SARVODAYA SAMAJ CONFERENCE

Brisk Preptrations For Sessions On March 9, 10 And 11

(From Our Correspondent)

INDORE (By Mail).

Mr. Rameshwardayal Toda, member of the Interim Legislature of the Union of Malwa has decided to distribute his monthly remuneration of Rs. 150 among two whole-time Congress workers. He receives this amount in his capacity of being a member of the Interim Legislature.

Preparations for holding the first All-India Conference of the Sarvodaya Samaj are going on in village Rao, situated at a height of 2,300 sq. feet at a distance of 7 miles from here. The Sarvodaya Nagar which is being constructed on a small hillock facing the railway station of Rao is now humming with activity. Over 1,500 active members of the Sarvodaya Samaj and other special invitees will be lodged in 200 grass huts that are under construction. The road connecting the Bombay-Agra trunk road with the Sarvodaya Nagar has been repaired and is now motorable. Special pipe-line has been spread from the village to the Conference camp.

The Secretary of the All-India Sarvodaya Samaj, Mr. R. S. Dhotre has formally invited all the 800 and odd active members of the Samaj to attend the Conference which will meet on March 9, 10 and 11 at Rao. The Railway Station of Rao is situated on the Khandwa-Ajmer metre guage section of the B.B.C.I. Ry. between the two stations of Mhow and Indore. The Railway authorities are expected to attach special bogies of Class 3 in all the trains proceeding to Rao from Khandwa and Ratlam and vice-versa. The Sarvodaya Nagar is situated at five minutes walk from the Station. Telephone and Telegraphic facilities are also being extended from Indore to Rao.

The active members of the Sarvodaya Samaj will be the guests of the Reception Committee and will be provided with free lodging and boarding. The Reception Committee desires to be known that all those attending the Conference should bring two blankets to cover themselves against cold. They are also required to bring their spinning wheels.

'Kirti Mandir' At Gandhiji's Birth Place

RAJKOT, March 2 (A.P.I.): A "Kirti Mandir" at the spot at which Mahatma Gandhi was born and brought up in his father's house at Porbandar in his childhood, is proposed to be erected. Mr. Kalidas Nanji, who was in possession of the house, has given over the house to a committee formed for the purpose and has also donated a total amount of Rs. two and half lakhs agreeing to bear more expenses, if need be, for the completion of the work.

It has been decided to acquire adjoining lands also for the purpose but the area in possession of Vaishnava parties and Vishnavas had decided to offer satyagraha if steps were taken to acquire land for the purpose. It now transpires that authorities have succeeded in pursuading the mahant, who has promised to part with the lands for the purpose. Details for the scheme are still under consideration.

RED POSTERS SEIZED

LUCKNOW, March 2 (A.P.I.): The police today seized leaflets pasted in railway workshops inciting the workers to join the general strike on March 9 and threatening those who helped the police in arresting railwaymen "with dire consequences."

Security measures have been strengthened in view of the threatened strike in the railways and in posts and telegraphs.

The total number of arrests of persons suspected to be Communists in U. P. now exceeds 150.

Nijalingappa's Call To Dharwar Peasants

(From Our Correspondent)

HUBLI (By Mail): "Our countrymen should shed their idleness. Each should do his part of his duty promptly and honestly. Everybody should engage himself in nationbuilding activities. The Ryot should produce more food; the labourer should produce more wealth" observed Shri S. Nijalingappa, member of the Congress Working Committee and President of the Karnataka Provincial Congress Committee, presiding over the Dharwar District Ryots' Conference held here recently.

The conference was organised by the District Rural Development Board. After welcome speech by Mr. M. R. Patil, Mr. Gudleppa Hallikeri, Secretary of the Rural Development Board, proposed Shri. S. Nijalingappa to the chair. The motion was seconded and supported by several delegates. Thereafter the president was garlanded by Messrs. M. R. Patil and S. Benjamin, District Collector, on behalf of the Reception Committee and the Rural Development Board respectively.

Shri Nijalingappa speaking on the occasion said that it was true that conditions of the ryots, who were the life-blood of the nation had to be improved a lot. But the Government had not neglected them. They were doing their best to help the ryots. The Government had realised that unless and until the conditions of the agricultural classes improved, the hard-won freedom of the country would not be secure.

He was sorry to find the ryot idle today. Because the ryot had made some money, he did not want to work hard. This was the case with most of the ryots. Many of them were also not honest and prompt. They were not surrendering their surplus produce to the Government. They gave false accounts about their stock-position and sold the excess in the black market. They misused Government money. He was not sure whether these conditions prevailed anywhere else.) He was talking of Mysore State, of which he had intimate knowledge. There some of the ryots were taking undue advantage of the monetary help by the Government for constructing wells and other things. The money was being utilised for building houses, instead of digging wells. These things should stop.

The nation was passing through critical times. Help from every quarter was needed. Independent India was in its infancy. It was suffering from many ills since its birth. It had grown weak and lost most of its energy. The responsibility of bringing up the child rested mainly on the ryots and labourers. These two classes of people should spare no pains to give proper nourishment.

Dealing with the problem of Karnatak Unification, Mr. Nijalingappa said that he led a deputation consisting of representatives of Mysore and Dominion Karnatak to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Deputy Prime Minister, Government of India during the latter's visit to Bangalore.

to Bangalore. Sardar Patel told the deputationists that they could count upon his help in achieving United Karnatak provided the representatives of both Mysore and Dominion Karnatak suggested an agreed solution. Mr. Nijalingappa declared that they were sure to have a separate province before the next general elections at the latest.

Protest Against Arrests Of Tara Singh

CALCUTTA, March 3 (API.) The Sikhs of Calcutta at a meeting here protested against the arrest of Master Tara Singh, President of the Akali Dal, and urged the Government to release him immediately. The meeting appealed to the authorities to revise their attitude towards the community and fulfil the promises given to it.

The meeting also criticised the "undemocratic restrictions" imposed by the Government on religious preachings and political meeting in Gurdwaras in Delhi and East Punjab.

ADIVASIS CLASH WITH POLICE

10 Killed Many Injured In Firing

RAIRANGPUR (Mayurbhanj), March 2 (A.P.I.): Ten persons were killed and several others were injured in yet another clash between the Police and the Adibasis which occurred yesterday on the Baripada-Rairangpur Road yesterday.

About 10,000 Adibasis gathered on the Ghat section of the road yesterday morning, and, according to official sources, laid an ambush by placing boulders and other barriers on the road.

Their first victim was a retired Forest Officer Mr. P. N. Sinha, who was driving in a jeep. He was stopped and done to death, and his vehicle was smashed.

A passenger bus was next halted and forced to go back. Armed police posted at Bisai, on seeing the bus return, boarded it in civilian clothes and proceeded to the spot where they were similarly stopped. While returning, the armed police are said to have first fired blank shots and that proving ineffective to have opened fire to disperse the crowd. Ten persons were killed and several others injured as a result of the firing.

After this incident the Adibasis are reported to have taken up strategic positions on hill-tops hiding themselves in fox-holes, caves, or on tree tops, making it increasingly difficult for the police to reach them or to make us of firearms to any advantage.

About two thousand non-Adibasis mainly women and children from Jamda have come down to Rairangpur for fear of being molested by Adibasis.

UNDULY HIGH TAXATION IN BOMBAY

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hobition," he said. He could not see the point in Government sacrificing crores for prohibition, without being able to stop people from drinking, which must get their firs consideration.

He also felt trat it would have been wiser for Government to have studied carefuly the pros and cons of the financial position of different merged States, before rushing "headlong".

Concluding he said, "The effect of the taxes is to wipe out the middle class". They were the stable factor in society, mediating between capital and labour, but Government were crushing them with havy imposts.

TAX ON ADVERTISEMENTS

MR. A. H. MIRZA WHO COMMENDED CERTAIN FEATURES OF THE BUDGET AND CRITICISED CERTAIN OTHERS, SAID THAT THE SALES TAX ON ADVERTISEMENT SPACE WAS ILL-ADVISED, AS MOST PAPERS SUBSISTED ON ADVERTISEMENT REVENUE AND NOT ON SALES. NEWSPAPERS WERE AN IMPORTANT LINK BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE, WHICH MADE THIS TAX OBJECTIONABLE. IT WAS NOT PROPER TO HAVE INCLUDED SCHOOLS BOOKS IN THE SALES TAX SCHEDULE. HE WAS OF THE VIEW THAT THE BUDGET ESTIMATES REGARDING THE SALES TAX RECEIPTS, APPEARED TO BE INCORRECT. THE ACTUAL RECEIPTS WOULD BE IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF MANY CRORES.

He characterised the Budget as "an unsatisfactory budget" in some respects which had disregarded the fate of the working classes.

He suggested that the proper manner to tackle inflation was by devaluating money, and said that Gavernment must stop encouraging women to accept jobs, for they would simply "waste money on luxuries."

He approved of the Budgeted expenditure on food subsidies and "grow more food campaigns" like the supply of improved seeds and fertilizers. The large expenditures on dearness allowance and police establishment were justified, especially on account of the disturbed conditions all over India, as wel as internal dangers.

He regretted that there was no guarenteed minimum wage for the workers of the province, nor unemployment insurance for them. The amount to be expended on medical education was totally insufficient to the needs of the province.

Mr. M. L. Patel welcoming the Budget said that there should be no discrimination between the urban and rural areas in the matter of cloth, kerosene, and food rations. The taxes were not such as to act as a crushing burden on the people.

Mr. G. V. Momin said that increase in the police force was not justified. This money could have been used to advantage, in digging wells and giving relief to the rural sections especially in famine areas. The deficit, he said, should have been made up in a way, that the burden of taxation fell on the richer classes.

STEADINESS OF POLICY

Mr. S. L. Karandikar said that it was a happy feature of the Budget that while the Central Budget and the Budget of Madras, C.P. and other provinces, showed perioric swings from right to left and vice versa, the Budget of the Government of Bombay showed a steadiness of policy. The Government also deserved to be commended, for, while before 1946 there were only two "stout, heart-breaking volumes" of figures, the present Government had increased that number to three by adding a pink book to the existing ble and white ones.

But the province appeared to be singularly unfortunate in the deal it got at the hands of the Dominion Government. The income-tax allocation from the Centre to the province was the lowest; the large influx of refugees into a food-deficit province like Bombay, had aggravated provincial difficulties; and the merger of adjacent States would be a liability for a considerable time.

It was necessary for the Government of Bombay to make strong representation: to the Centre on all the three items.

HIGH TAXATION

He said that taxation in the province was very high. It worked at Rs. 18 per person as provincial taxes, Rs. 11 per head as the Central taxes, in addition to municipal and other local taxes. This was too much for the average citizen of the Province.

The cost of living index was about 375, which in other words, was the cost to the citizen of having a provincial and Central Government.

He advocated rigid economy, including retrenchment, wherever, necessary.

He condemned, what he termed Government's "enthusiasm" for new-fangled methods. The expenditure, he regarded as not worthwhile, for, for ordinary agricutural operations, tractors were a nuisance, as the land was uneven, and the population per acre was nothing like uniform in all places.

He also felt that Government must give more weight to decisions arrived at by its own officials, than to the opinions of advisory bodies composed of laymen, as otherwise the sense of responsibility and initiative of the officials would be seriously affected.

Mr. D. Suryavanshi said that the work of the police had so far increased during the last few years that it was difficult for the present force to cope with it. The force must be increased rather than decreased, he said.

He defended the expenses incurred by Government on refugee rehabilitation, on the grounds of common humanity. Moneys laid out on agriculture, he said, would be justified in the long run, for the province had to try and attain self-sufficiency with regard to food.

Mr. I. H. Kalyani suggested that greater facilities in the form of scholarships and freeships should be given to backward class students—especially for industrial and technical courses. He suggested that an agricultural college be started in Khandesh, as the large number of students from this district found Poona too expensive for them.

Nagpur Journalists Against Tax On Advertisements

(From Our Correspondent)

NAGPUR, March 2 (By Air Mail)—Nagpur Institute of Journalists recorded its vehement protest against the imposition of tax on newspapet advertisements in Bombay, Madras and other provinces, and requested the Governments concerned to withdraw it as it hampers and retards the development of journalism in the country, at its inaugural meeting held at the Mount Hotel this evening. Mr. V. S. Venkatraman was in the chair.

The meeting adjourned for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of Shrimati Sarojini Naidu, Governor of United Provinces. Feeling references were made to her, who was a valiant fighter in the cause of country's freedom.

The meeting of the Nagpur Institute of Journalists unanimously decided to register it under the Societies Act of 1860, and a sub-committee was formed to draft a constitution.

A provisional committee was elected with Mr. K. S. Bharadwaj as President, Mr. Ulabhaje as Vice-President, Mr. Vishwanathan as Secretary. Messrs A. D. Mani, Nandkishore, B. S. Hastak, Roy, D. T. Deshpande, Rajanna and Rai were elected as members of the committee. Mr. V. K. Sheotey will be the treasurer.

Stop Press

22-HOUR CURFEW IN AMRITSAR.

AMRITSAR, Mar. 3 (API)—A 22-hour curfew was imposed today around the Darbar Saheb gurdwara following yesterday's clash between rival Sikh groups. The order will remain in force till March 7. The curfew will be lifted between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. daily.

DELHI BAN ON RUPEE NOTES FROM PAKISTAN

NEW DELHI, Mar. 3 (API)—The Government of India issued a notification today banning the import into India of Government of India one-rupee notes from Pakistan. The Reserve Bank of India has also issued a notification prohibiting the export to Pakistan of currency notes of the Government of India and Reserve Bank of India notes except by travellers to Pakistan who can carry amounts not above Rs. 50.

U.S. REJECTS MOSCOW PROTEST.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3 (PTI-Reuter)—The United States today flatly rejected Russian protests against the American order to close the Soviet Repatriation Mission at Frankfurt in the American zone of Germany.

INDIAN EMIGRANTS FROM S. AFRICA

DURBAN, Mar. 3 (PTI-Reuter)—Thirteen Indians—three adults and ten children—left here for India today under the South African Government's scheme to assist Indian emigration.

This was the first batch to leave since the recent riots.

People IN THE NEWS

GOVERNOR FOR NEW DELHI

His Excellency Raja Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bombay, will leave Bombay for New Delhi, by air, on the morning of Sunday, March 6, and return, also by air, in the evening of Wednesday March 9.

MR. GULZARILAL NANDA

Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Minister for Labour and Housing, will leave Bombay for Delhi tomorrow morning, by plane, to attend the meeting of the Standing Economic Committee.

He will leave Delhi, by plane, for Ahmedabad, on March 6, reaching there the same day. The Minister will return to Bombay, on Tuesday, March 8.

MR. M. P. PATIL

Mr. M. P. Patil, Minister for Forests and Agriculture, will leave Bombay on Saturday, March 5, on a tour of the scarcity affected areas of Kaira District.

The Minister will inspect the emergency lift irrigation schemes in the District and return to Bombay on Monday, March 7.

H. E. MR. ANEY

PATNA, March 3. (API)—His Excellency Mr. M. S. Aney, Governor of Bihar, who went to Lucknow yesterday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, returned here this noon.

Mr. Aney will leave for Delhi by air on March 7 in the morning and will return to Patna on March 9 via Gaya.

DR. RAJENDRA PRASAD

PATNA, March 3. (API)—Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Chairman of the Gandhi National Memorial Fund, who came here on Feb. 28 to accelerate the collection to the fund in the province, will leave for Lucknow tonight.

V. NILAKANTAN

CALCUTTA, March 3. (API)—Mr. V. Nilakantan, at present General Manager, E.I. Railway will relieve Mr. F. C. Badhwar as member (staff) Railway Board, when the latter proceeds on four months leave in the middle of April next, it is learnt here from authoritative sources. Mr. B. B. Verma will take over charge as General Manager, E. I. Railway.

PROF. RANGA

NEW DELHI, March 3. (UPI)—Prof. N. G. Ranga, member of the Congress Working Committee and President of the All-India Kisan Congress is visiting Calcutta on the 7th and 8th of March. He will be addressing the West Bengal Provincial Kisan Congress Workers on March 7. Prof. Ranga will be back in Delhi on March 10.

REHABILITATION OF REFUGEES IN U. P.

India Government Approves Two Schemes

NEW DELHI, March 3, (U.P.I.): The Government of India have approved two attractive schemes drawn up by the U. P. Government for resettling refugee families on newly reclaimed land in Ganga Khadir in the Meerut district and the Tarai area in Nainital district.

The two schemes together provide for the resettlement of over 13,000 refugees or 2 600 families at a total cost of Rs. 12,431,000. 1,760 families will be resettled in the Ganga Khadir area and over 650 families in the Tarai area.

The Government of India have agreed to bear 50 per cent of the losses incurred on the schemes.

Vamps' Demonstration In Bangalore

BANGALORE, March 3 (A.P.I.): A crowd estimated at about 10,000 was treated to a thrilling demonstration of formation flights and aerial acrobatics by three jet-propelled vampires of the R.I.A.F. at the Hindustan aerodrome this morning.

Piloted by Squadron leader U. D. Subbia, Flt.-Lt. Micky Blake and Flying Officer V. M. Kurian, all veterans of the Kashmir operations the three aircraft took off at 10-30 a.m. and remained in the air for half an hour, exhibiting their tremendous manoeuvrability in all branches of operational flight.

Wing Commander Moolgavkar, overall commander of the Vampire flight, gave a running comentary on the demonstration.

The "Vamps" will leave tomorrow for Madras where they will give a demonstration on March 7.

Surat Weavers' Plea To V. L. Mehta

SURAT, March 3 (API): The Surat Weaving Association in a telegram to the Finance Minister of Bombay, urges that Government should desist from imposing the Sales Tax on export and electricity duty.

The telegram points out that the Surat handloom and powerloom industry run on small scale will not be able to bear any extra burden and that the inevitable result of the taxes will be diversion of trade from the province.

It can be stated that most of the cloth manufactured in the six thousand looms in Surat district is exported to places in Pakistan Burma and other countries. The Surat cloth has no market in Bombay Province.

Poona Records 'Quake Shock

POONA, March 3 (A.P.I.): A feeble earthquake shock at its origin with epicentre some 30 to 40 miles away from Poona was recored by the seismograph at the meteorological office, Poona, at 21 hrs. 3 mts. I.S.T. on Wednesday, the 2nd March, 1949. The shock was presumable a very superficial and local one.

BOMBAY Stock Exchange

Steady Rise In Steel And Textile Shares

BOMBAY, March 3:

Declaration of Rs. 20- dividend on Bombay Dyeing Shares created better feeling today on the local Stock Exchange. There was comparatively increased business and with bull support and short covering there was a steady improvement in prices.

Tata Steel Defd. Shares opened at Rs. 1625/- and after advancing at Rs. 1637/- steadied at Rs. 1635/. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 287 and moved up at Rs 290/

Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 922 and advanced at Rs. 935. Kohinoors opened at Rs. 281 and improved at Rs. 283/-. Nagpurs opened at Rs. 237 and steadied at Rs. 238/- Simplex shares opened at Rs. 179/ and gained two points at Rs. 181 Scindia shares opened at Rs 17/10 and improved at Rs. 17/14.

Gokaks were done at Rs 284/6 and Swadeshi shares were quoted at Rs. 284/- Associated Cements changed hands at Rs. 150/10 while Tata Powers were quoted at Rs. 151 2/8. Bellapurs came in business at Rs 213/12 and Bombay Burmas were placed at Rs. 280. Scindias improved further at Rs. 18.1 while New Indias were quoted at Rs. 62,8. The market closed very steady.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES	
Bombay Dyeing (12)	936 4
Kohinoor Mills (6)	281 4
Swadeshi Mills (22)	275 8
Central India Mills. (4)	238 0
Simplex Mills (8)	180 0
New Great Eastern (10)	160 0
Indore (9 plus 3)	171 4
Gokak Mill (20)	282 8
Century Spining (15)	226 4
Coimba (12)	155 3
India Bleaching (6)	154 0
Swan Mills (20)	315 8
Finlay Mills (15)	275 0
Morarji Goculdas XD	451 4
Edward Sassoon (20) XR	220 0
Mayer (12) XD	110 0
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2 15
Indian United Defd (1-10)	1 9 6
India United Ord. (0-12-0)	10 14 9
Madhusudhan Mills (15) XD	175 0
Podar (8)	143 12
Khatau Makanji (8)	205 1
Indore Coupon	84 0
STEEL SHARES	
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	290 0
Tata Steel Defd. (64-15)	1638 12
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-8)	137 8
CEMENT	
Associated Cement (6)	150 4
INDUSTRIES	
Burma (12-8)	275 0
Belapur Sugar (9)	214 0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	28 0
Scindia Steam (0-8)	17 12
Premier Construction	112 8
Tata Chemical	12 2
Tata Oil (2)	65 0
Indian Iron (0-12)	23 6
Bengal Steel (0-8-0)	21 0
British India Corp. (0-14)	8 9
I. Copper	2 4
Wimco AR	186 14
Alcock	267 8
Belapur Coupon	84 0
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Tata Power (50)	1517 8
Andhra Valley (45)	1430 0
Tata Hydro	153 8

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS	
Elphinstone Mills (5)	68 0
Phoenix Mills (50) XR	206 4
Indian Manufacturing	4300 0
Koorla Mills (8)	120 0
New City Mills (10)	196 4
Minerva	122 8
Bradbury	581 8
Bharat Mills (2)	21 12
Bharucha Defd. (0-4)	4 12
Bharat Mills (2)	32 8
Mysore Spg. Mills (8)	172 8
Madhavji Dharmsi (0-12)	14 4
Model Mills (12-8)	182 8
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	605 0
Vishnu Cotton (8)	212 8
Western India (40)	4070 0
Standard (15)	245 0
Sholapur Mills (200)	2300 0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	28 8
Hindustan Mills (40)	6225 0
Tata Mills (3)	60 0
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	258 12
Ahmedabad Advance New	195 0
Sassoon Silk (3)	77 8
New Union Mills (0-8)	12 0
Madhusudan B (2-8)	36 0
Srinivas Mills (15)	175 0
Tata Shipping Posns (4)	100 0
Berar Mills	280 0
Victoria Mills	225 0
Crosbie Land Coupon	42 0
New Great	156 0
ELECTRICS (CASH)	
Ahmedabad Electric (1-8)	130 0
Ahmedabad New	19 4
Surat Electricity (2-8)	147 8
Karachi Electric (2)	131 4
Broach (0-8)	10 12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10 8
Broach (0-5)	10 12
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	20 8
Poona Electric Supply (8)	150 0
Bombay Suburban (3)	161 4
Bombay Suburban (3) XD	152 8
BANK SHARES	
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1862 8
Imperial Bank of India P.P. (8-12)	462 8
Central Bank	87 12
Central Bank New (1-8)	85 3
Bank of India (4) XR	198 4
Union (0-8)	8 0
Bank of Baroda (2-8)	141 8
Developm Banking Bank (1-8)	45 3
United Commercial 1-8)	56 12
Jaipur Bank (1-6)	35 6
Hindustan Commercial	40 12
Mysore Bank (8)	365 0
Exchange Bank (1-8)	20 8
Eastern Bank (0-14-8)	465 0
INSURANCE	
Oriental (125) XD	4200 0
Empire (10)	670 0
New India 1-8)	61 12
Jupiter (1-4)	18 6
Vulcan (0-10)	11 12
Indian Mercantile (2)	30 0
Universal (0-4)	11 4
R.I.G. (1)	18 0
Industrial and Prudential	20 1
Neptune Assurance	7 8
New Great	35 0
All-India General	15 4
RAILWAY SHARES	
Central Provinces (1-14)	112 0
Pachora Jamner Rly (2-8)	120 4
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES	
Bombay Steamer (10)	337 8
Bombay Burma, New (5)	103 12
Burma Petrol	1 11
Mackennie (6)	88 0
Port Canning (3)	62 0
Kemp and Co (20)	442 8
Kemp and Co (New)	442 8
Kanga Pharmacy (7)	150 0
Industrial Invest Trust (4)	89 0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	26 4
Mukund Iron	19 0
Dena Trust (0-12)	18 0
Alembic (15)	197 8
Supreme India XR	128 12
Jam Wire (6)	67 4
Bombay Granda	60 0
Bombay Motor Cycle	24 0
Indian Cement (1937)	25 0
Walchand Nagar Industries (B.S.)	144 4
United Motor s	70 0
Associated Cement New (1-4)	144 8
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	880 0
Hotary Construction	19 10
Mahmadi Steam	96 0
Gujarat Motor	20 0
Sardar Carbonic XD	650 0
Harvey Press	310 0
Estrela Batteries	61 0
Mammad Press	120 0
PREFERENCE SHARES	
Tata Steel 1st (6)	181 10
Andhra Valley (7)	1212 8
Tata Power (7-8)	1240 0
Hydro Electric (7)	123 2
Bombay Steamer (6)	208 12
Central India (5)	625 0
Swadeshi Mills	126 4
Vishnu Mills (7)	633 12
Lakshmi Mills	275 0
New Great Mills (5-8)	227 8
Podar Mills (4)	108 0
Srinivas Mills	98 0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	117 8
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	210 0
Surat Electricity (2-4)	145 0
Premier Construction 1st (61/4)	118 0
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	102 8
Amalgamated (5-8)	122 2
Rabib	72 0
Tata Chemical (5)	131 14
Walchand Nagar Ldns (7)	130 0
Jupiter General	19 14
Supreme	100 0
Mayer	121 4
Mackenzie 1st	85 0
Mackenzie 2nd	80 0
Ahmedabad Advance	132 8
Mysore Mills	80 0
Standard Mills	101 0
Madhusudan Mills	13 8
Khatau Mills	104 0
Morarji	106 0
DEBENTURES	
Andhra 1952 (6)	103 8
Bombay Steamer (1950) (4-8)	101 10
Indian Burma Pipe (5)	100 0
Tata Power 1951	102 8
Walchand Nagar (6)	113 0
OUTSIDE SHARES	
Burma Corporation	2 12
New Victoria Mill	2 8
New Victoria Pref.	5 0
Phatton Sugar (8) X.D.	120 0
Gold Mohur (20)	280 0
New Kaiser-Hind	360 0
Saijas Mills (20)	135 0
Osmanshahi Mills (10)	300 0
Asam Jahi Mills (10)	340 0
Air Service XR	7 0
A.- India	102 0
Hind Motor	4 12
India Steam	8 9

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE
BOMBAY, March 3.

Tata Ordinary 290 Tata Deferred 1638/12 Indian Iron 23/7 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 21 Bombay Dyeing 936/4 Central India 238/2 Gokak 282/8 Kohinoor 281/4 Simplex 180 Swadeshi 275/10 Tata Power 1517/8 Associated Cement 150/4 Belapur 214/6 Bombay Burma (Old) 275 Scindia 17/12/6 Central Bank 87/12 New India 61/12 Tata 2nd Pref. 137/8.

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, March 3.

The Bullion market was officially closed to-day as a mark of respect to the death of Smt. Sarojini Devi. Nominal quotations were as under:—

Ready silver	118 6 0
Ready gold	117 14 0
7Sovereigns	75 3 0

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, March 3.

There was no business to-day in the local cotton market as all forward contracts were above ceiling price.

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton May Contract is 830 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

ALEXANDRIA, March 2.

KARNAK May	82.25+62
KARNAK November	70.35—05
ASHMOUNI April	82.00+25
ASHMOUNI October	82.20+20

PRODUCE MARKET

Bombay March 3.

The produce Market was teady today with moderate business. Both groundnuts and oil quotations were firm but castorseeds are not moving up under increased offerings. Castorseeds May delivery opend at Rs. 136/3 and after improving at Rs. 136/5 declined at Rs. 136/- and steadied at Rs. 136/2.

Thereafter there was heavy unloading and the market declined at Rs. 135/-.

Quotations were as under.

GROUNDNUTS—

Khandesh quality	37 8 0
Coromandal	37 0 0
Bold ready	36 8 0
Bold Feb.-March	36 14 0
CASTORSEEDS—	
May delivery	135 0 0
Ready	26 8 0
LINSEEDS—	
Ready	27 9 0
Feb.-March	27 9 0
April-May	27 11 0
GROUNDNUT OILS—	
Ready receipts	20 13 0
February	20 13 0
March	20 14 0
April	20 15 0
Linseed Oil	18 12 0
Castorseed oil first pressing	19 0 0
Castorseed oil Commercial Quality	17 8 0
Gingellyseed	225 to 230

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, March 3.

2 1/2 per cent 1954	98 7
2 1/2 per cent 1950	100 0
2 1/2 per cent 1955	99 14
2 1/2 per cent 1961	96 12
2 3/4 per cent 1960	99 7
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99 0
2 3/4 per cent 1975	97 14
3 per cent non-terminable	86 11
3 per cent 1966 Con.	99 2
3 per cent 1949-52	100 5
3 per cent 1951-54	101 5
3 per cent 1953-55	101 9
3 per cent 1957	101 9
3 per cent 1960-61	100 12
3 per cent 1966-68	100 2
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	104 10
3 per cent 1970-75	100 9
4 per cent 1960-70	110 10
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60	112 0
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68	115 4
PROVINCIAL LOANS.	
3 3/4 per cent U P 1961	98 2
3 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	98 2
3 per cent Punjab 1948	98 8
3 per cent Bombay 1956	100 12
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100 12
3 per cent Madras 1962-63	100 10
3 per cent U.P 1962	100 8
2 per cent C.P 1962	100 8
3 per cent N W.P. 1962	99 10
3 per cent U.P 1961-66	100 0
4 per cent Bombay Municipality	110 8
5 per cent Bom Munt 1959	114 0
6 per cent Bom Munt 1954	115 0

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, March 3.

R. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/8 15/16 Steady.

R. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/8 29/32 up to 6 Mos.

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/8 31/32 Steady.

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D 1/8 15/16 upto 6 Months.

London Banks Selling T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month.

9/1 C C Buying spread unposted 1/16 to 4th Month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/8 7th-9th Month.

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th-9th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/16 5th and 6th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th-9th Month.

New York & Montreal R. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 332 1/4.

Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs 332 1/4

Banks Buying T. T. Rs 330.

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs 328 3/4

Montreal Rs 328 1/2

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 329

Montreal Rs 328 3/4 Y/O.

Paris Banks Selling T T Fcs. 7860

Paris Banks T T Fcs 8060.

Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D D Fl. 79

Belgium Banks Selling T T D D Fcs 1305

Java Banks Selling T T D D Gldr 79

Hongkong Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 84

Singapore Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 167

Manila Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 166 1/4

New York/London Cross Rate dol 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4; London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs 82.57-83-43; London/Alexandria Cross Rate Pia. 97 1/4-3/4; London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl 10.68-70; London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcs 40; London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4; London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 9.32-36; London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/4 1/16-1/2 15/16; London/Iran Cross Rate Rl 128/130; London/Java Cross Rate Fl 10.68-70; London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es 99.80-100.20; London/Manila Cross Rate Pes. 8.09-8 14; London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London/New York Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02; London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs 1061—1063. London/Prague Cross Rate K 201.903; London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4 1/16-2/4 5/16; London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kl 14.47-50; London/Switzerland Cross Rate Frcs 17.34-36

London Discts 3 Mos. 9/16 p.c.; London Discts 6 Mos. 5/8 p.c.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c.; Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

Money: Call 1/2 p.c.; 3 Mos. 3/4 p.; 6 Mos 1 p.c.; 12 Mos. 1-1/2

Tone: Steady.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, March 2.

	£
Consols 2-1/2 p c	30-1/2
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c, 1961	105-3/4
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	114-3/4
War Loan 3-1/2 p c 1952 and after	103-15/16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Reg.	103-1/2
National Bank of India	39-1/4

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 6,600.

NEW YORK COTTON STEADY ON COVERING AND TRADE BUYING

Wall Street Operators Cautious

NEW YORK, March 2 (PTI-Reuter).—Prices sagged on mild liquidation and hedges, disposition to emphasize the continued quietness of the cotton goods market, further mill curtailment reports and fears of increasing competition from rayons. New crops were still influenced by prospective large plantings and Washington farm legislative uncertainties. Later, prices steadied on covering and routine trade buying In the afternoon, prices kept steady throughout on dribbling trade buying and meagre hedge offerings. The session closed steady. Sales are estimated at 100,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, March 2

March	32.35—
May	32.20+06
May Highest	32.23+08
May Lowest	32.00—06
July	31.08+15
October	28.13+06
December	27.92+09
Middling Spot	33.44+02

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW YORK, March 2.

March	32.18—02
May	32.13+09
July	31.01+10
October	28.10+10
Middling Spot	32.45+03

WALL STREET MARKET

STOCKS.—The three-day technical recovery stalled a little as a more cautious attitude developed despite the encouraging view expressed by the Vice-Chairman of the President's economic council on 1949 business outlook Prices changes eitherway were mainly limited to fractions in modest activity. The averages were industrials 173.68 and rails 47.75.

In the afternoon, activity was restricted with most issues fluctuating narrowly around the midway levels. American radiator was unchanged with negligible pressure developing following the announcements of price cuts averaging about 5% on a wide range of products. The reductions are considered by the trade as one of the most important contributions towards lower home building costs since the war. All the averages were slightly lower with the session closing barely steady.

CHICAGO GRAINS

CHICAGO, March 2.—Grains showed active dealings, declining under the leadership of maize as a result of increased country offerings and slow commercial demand. Wheat was affected partly by trade indications that as a result of recent heavy grain purchases, the government requires only 50 million bushels of wheat and 25 million bushels in the form of flour to complete the 500,000,000 bushels export goal. Latterly all grains, except maize, rallied to new highs for the day as a result of increased commercial buying. Better support for maize was countered by increased hedging.

CHICAGO, WHEAT

May	2.18
July	1.92-1/2
September	1.92-3/4
December	1.94-3/4

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, March 3.

MILLS

Apollo 2-15
Bharat 31-12
B. Dyeing 927-8 25 37-8 33-12 35-12 36-4
C. India 237 38 36-8 39 38
Colaba 147-8 55
E. Textiles 220
Elphinstone Pref. 117-8
Finlay 275 73 75
Gokak 281 80 83 82-8
I. U Defd. 1-9-6 1-9-9 1-9-6 1-10 1-9-6
I.U. Ord. 10-12 10-15 10-14 10-14-8
Indore 172-8 71-4
Kohinoor 281 80 83-4 8-4
Laxmi 605
Madhavji 14-4
Meyer 118-12 10 7-8 10
Morarji 452-8 51-4
New Great 160-8 60
Simplex 178 81-8 80
Swadeshi 274-8 76 74 77-8 75-8
Swan 315-8
Vishnu 212-8
C. P. Rly 112

STEAMER

B Steam 337-8
Scindia 17-10 17-8 17-12 17-9 17-15 17-12-6

BANKS

Baroda 141, 41-8
Central 87-4 88 87-12
Central New 85-4 84-8 85
Imperial Old 1860 62-8
Imperial New 462-8
India 199 98-8
Union 8
U. Commercial 56-12

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 129/6 28/12 30
Ajmer 10/8
Andhra Valley 1430
Andhra Pref 1212/8
Suburban 161/4
Surat 147/8
Hydro 153/8
Power 1515 17/8
Power Pref 1240

INSURANCE.

New India 62/4 61/8 61/12
B. I. General 18
Vulcan 11/10 11/12

STEEL

B. Steel 20/9 21/2 21
I. Iron 22/15 22/12 23/3 23/1 23/8 23/7
Tata Defd 1625 36/4 32/8 40 37/8 38/12
Tata Ord. 287/8 90 89 90
Tata 2nd Pef 189/4 39/8 37/8

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 265 67/8
A.C.C. Old 150 49/8 50/8 50/4
A.C.C. New 145 44 44/12 44/8
Belapur 212 13 11/4 15 14
B.B. Old 275 76/4 72/8 75
B.I.C. 8/7 8/9
Dharamshey 36/4
I. Copper 2/3/6 2/4
B.B. Petrol 1/11
P. Const. 112 11/8 12/8 11/8 12/8
Shivrajpur 28/4
Tata Chem. 12/2 12/1 12/2
Tata Oil 65 65/12 65
Wimco 185 83/12 86/14

SPECIAL.

Ahmedabad Elec. New 19/4
All-India General Ins. 15/4

INDIAN COTTON RESEARCH

American Praise

WASHINGTON, March 2.

United States Agriculture Department cotton experts, Dr. John W. Wright and Roland L. Lee, Jr., have returned from Bombay with praise for the Indian cotton research laboratory at Matunga.

Wright, chief of the Agriculture Department's Research and Testing Division, Cotton Branch, and his assistant, Lee, spent three days inspecting the laboratory and conferring with officials. In addition, they examined mill operations at the Sassoon Mill, and visited cotton markets and warehouses, and the Cotton Association.

"We went to India primarily to see the work of the Indian Central Cotton Technological Laboratory, located in a section of Bombay," Lee said. "Experts in this laboratory have been engaged in cotton research for years and we were anxious to observe their methods and techniques."

"We could not have had better treatment, a more friendly atmosphere, or a finer exchange of information. The trip was most satisfactory and productive," both men said.

Wright pointed out the value of testing cotton fibres, and said the Agriculture Department has long offered a testing service to cotton-breeders in the United States.

Breeders who seek to improve strains of cotton may spend years perfecting a new strain only to find that its spinning qualities are poor, he said. In this field, the Agriculture Department is able to test fibre from time to time and render a real service to the breeder.

At the Sassoon textile mill, an outstanding feature, from the sociological standpoint, Lee said, was the "creche" or day nursery maintained for the children of workers. Here, the children are well fed and cared for while the parents, chiefly mothers, worked in the mill.

The cotton experts commended Dr. D. L. Sen, Director of the Technological Laboratory, for his untiring efforts in making information available.

Both men said they hoped to revisit India. Lee was especially anxious to do so because he has a brother there.—USIS.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

The following is the Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 26th February:

LIABILITIES	Rs.
CAPITAL:—	5,64,50,000
Reserve Fund	6,27,50,000
Fixed Deposit, Saving Bank Current and other Accounts	271,76,49,000
Sundries	86,98,000
Rupees	284,53,47,000

ASSETS	Rs.
INVESTMENTS:—	
Government Securities	117,48,53,000
Other Authorised Investments	9,49,83,000
ADVANCES:—	
Loans	34,00,42,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	75,56,00,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased	5,40,20,000
Dead Stock	1,56,22,000
Sundries	1,35,72,000
CASH:—	
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	32,18,64,000
Balances with other Banks	7,47,91,000
Rupees	284,53,47,000

HAPUR MARKET

HAPUR, March 3

Wheat 27 to 30; Gram 58, Barley 17/4; Bihar 15; Maize 16; Bajra 16/4; Juwar 16; Guwar 11/8; Matar 13; Arhar 18; Urd 18/4; Moong 20/8; Masoor 15 to 16; Jeth Matar 11/12; Arhar 13/4; Gur Ready 13/12 to 13/14; Shakker 13/8; Arrivals 2000; mds future Pagan 14; Baisakh 14/13/8; Sugar Crystal 29/12; Khandsari 22 to 27; Sarson Ready 24/12; Jeth Opened 24/12/6; Now 24/10,8; Taraseed 19 to 21; Gur 65; Oats 10; Oilcake 8/8; Cotton Seed 14/8; Groundnut 18/8; Bardana Ready 113 to 119; Chet 106/8; April 120; Silver Forward Opened 185/14; Now 185/15; Gold 118.

SINGAPORE PEPPER PRICES

SINGAPORE, March 2 (UPA.) The market turned firm today with white pepper quoted at SSdol. 233 and white pepper at SSdol. 183 per picul of 133.3 lbs., F.O.B.

LONDON PEPPER PRICES

LONDON, March 2 (UPA.) Pepper prices turned strong in London today with Singapore quoting black at 3/4-1/2 and white at 4/4-1/2.

Malabar, March, was quoted at 360.

NEW YORK PEPPER PRICES

NEW YORK, March 2 (UPA.) Black pepper futures closed inactive and unchanged to 200 higher. Sustained firmness in futures was coupled with the rising trend in the spot market. Spot pepper was traded at 73 to 75 cents.

Dealers attributed the buying to short covering along with fair demand from grinders in small lots. Processors were reported to be getting uneasy over the recent market strength and were adding to inventories although purchases were held mostly to a 30 day basis.

In the shipment market, Indian offerings were reported for March at between 66-1/2 and 67 cents per pound cif New York. One block of 15 tons Lampong pepper was offered from Singapore at 65 cents, March shipment.

Closing prices included:

March 69, May 66, July 62, Sept. 60, Oct. 52, Dec. 49 Jan 46.

In the spot market, black was quoted at 74 cents.

Shipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

S.S. EXCELSIOR

From New York:—28 drums coal tar dyes, 60 rolls wrapper beam barrels; 30 crates wrapper beam heads, 114 cases textile winding machinery and parts, 125 cases magnet wire, 1265 bdls simitale infant food, 38 cases steel wood screws, 40 loose motor vehicles, and parts, 142 metal cont. tin plate, 20 cases cine film, 140 ctn. medicines 159 cases synthetic rasins, 50 ctns. wiring supplies, 169 cases typewriters, 750 drums liquid parafins, 800 drums white petroleum mineral oil, 180 cases secondhand clothing, 28 rolls artificial leather, 135 ctns. hydrogen paroxide, 166 ctns. elec. accessories, 56 bdls. tin plate, 431 cases monograph printing paper, 30 cases motor truck, 141 drums kerosene, 2171 drums lubricating oil, 53 crates tractor parts, 3586 drums breakfluid.

From Philadelphia:—200 barrels camphor, 110 cylinders anihydrous amonia, 100 bdls camphor, 150 drums latex rubber caps, 77 drums fuel oil, 140 drums diesel oil, 500 drums spindle oil, 85 tin plate waste, 400 cases even flobrand bottles with stoppers, 901 boxes tin plate

From Aden—38 bdls. gum falifacet; 133 pkgs. brass scraps; 100 bags empty bottles.

S.S. BAMORA

From Bunder Abbas—72 cases assafoetida; 130 bags cummin seeds; 47 bags almonds; 39 bdls. attari.

From Muscat—507 bags dry dates; 99 bags sardins.

From Karachi—2,900 bags Karachi; 282 bags cummin seed; 81 cases printed books; 915 bales cotton; 1,000 bags cotton seeds

S.S. STAR OF LUXOR

From Alexandria—1,602 bales cotton.

S.S. FLYING TRADER

From Baltimore—46 bdls. tinplate.

From Norfolk—5,579 bdls. brick and maple sapwood squares.

From Philadelphia—61 cases ball bearings; 1,023 drums white petroleum oil; 142 drums diesel oil; 120 drums light speed diesel oil; 100 drums diesel fuel oil.

From New York—29 bdls. bars; 101 bdls. tinplate; 100 drums petroleum mineral oil; 184 drums news printing ink; 80 drums diesel oil; 578 drums caustic soda, 181 pkgs. steel bolts and nuts; 80 ctns. florescent bulbs; 228 ctns. ink; 144 cases wood screws; 123 ctns. common glass ware; 720 cases hindy typewriters; 250 drums lubricat-oil.

SS HOEGH SILVER CLOUD

From Portland—1078 drums cautic soda, 1868 pcs. douglas fir timber;.

From Pugetsound 1078 drums caustic soda; 800 boxes strapped boxes.

From Los Angeles—36 boxes agricultural impliments, 250 drums white oil, 95 cases double metal strapped wooden boxes, 100 bags borax 100 drums white oil 300 drums diesel oil, 359 pkgs pumps and spares.

From San Fransisco—108 drums lubricating oil, 500 drums mineral White oil, 50 cylinders anihydrous amonia, 205 drums caustic soda, 176 drums light fuel oil, 4402 rolls roofing 662 drums roofing cement, 180 cases whoe milk powder, 166 drums diesel fuel oil, 500 drums white oil.

From Manila—70 cases scrap light scrap, 687 drums scrap heavy brass, 122 drums copper wire scrap. 112 pkgs scrap heavy copper.

From Penang—404 males rubber 1473 drums cocoanut oil 259 pkgs cooper wire scrap.

From Singapore—14275 bags sago flour, 1346 bds. ratton.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT

S.S. BARPETA

From Karachi—10 baskets betal leaves—M. Karsandas 10 baskets betal leaves—B. Baboo, 10 baskets betal leaves—Akbar and Co., 10 baskets betal leaves—Rajab and Co., 25 baskets betal leaves—Becharlal, 65 baskets betal leaves—A. Alimohmed 30 baskets betal leaves—M. Ellias and Co., 30 baskets betal leaves—M. Din and Co., 105 cases venegar bottles—Jeena and Co.

S.S. TURKSHEAD

To Kobe—100 bags cotton raw—R. B. Jesrath Thakurdas.

S.S. KALAVATI

To Karachi—30 bags drug—G. M. Domar.

S.S. PRESIDENT POLK

To New York—17 cases bristles—Bombay Reprentations.

S.S. JALJAWAHAR

To Liverpool—300 bales cotton raw—Baidas Cursondas and Co.

S.S. EXCELOIR

To New York—193 bags myrabolams—R. Bhachoobhai.

S. S. LOEMERKERK

To Rotterdam: 90 bales cotton waste—M. Chandulal & Co.

To Antwerp: 210 bales cotton waste—M. Chandulal & Co.

S. S. NYHORN

To Gothemburg: 55 bales cotton waste—H. S. C. Manchester Ltd. 54 bales cotton waste—Sapt Textile Products India Ltd.

S. S. MARTINCARL

To Karachi: 430 cases toilet soap—Royal Soap Factory. 30 cases paper stationery—Lloyds Bank Ltd. 9 bags gum karaya—H. S. Rahemtulla & Sons 78/65 bdls gunny bags—Ashok Kumar Mulraj. 10 bdls mats—M. Ladha 15 drums aceton—A. Gulamhusein 100 bags myrabollam—K. Tricumji.

S. S. FLYINTRADER

To Hong Kong: 30 bags sandle wood—Pavri Sons & Co.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

ARRIVALS

s.s. "Gambhira"—From Melbourne on 2-3-49 with general cargo of 7,706 tons,—Agents Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co.

s.s. "Vasna"—From Karachi on 3-3-49 with general cargo of 697 tons—Agents: Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co.

"Deed"—From Hamburg on 3-3-49 with general cargo of 8,200 tons and 50 drums of carbon-bi-sulphate.—Agents Volkart Bros.

s.s. "Loenerkerk"—From Hamburg on 3-3-49 with general cargo of 2,627 tons.—Agents Volkart Bros.

"Heather"—From Allepey on 3-3-49 with general cargo of 245 tons.—Agents: Gill & Co. (Shipping)

DEPARTURES

"Devanha"—For Sydney with general cargo of 1,100 tons on 1-3-49—Owners: P. & O. S. N. Coy

"City Of Calcutta"—For Calcutta with general cargo of 5,460 tons on 2-3-49.—Owners: The City Line Ltd.

Nigerian Cocoa Board Makes Profit In First Year

LONDON (By Cable).

The first annual report of the Nigerian Cocoa Marketing Board shows a net profit of £9,264,000 (Rs. 12.35 crores).

The establishment of the Board in 1947 was a milestone not only in the progress of the cocoa industry but also in the economic development of Nigeria. The marketing of the over £15,000,000 (Rs. 20 crores), was vested in an autonomous local organisation in which Nigerians were called upon to play full part.—(London Press Service).

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, March 2.

American Telephone and Telegraph	147-5/8
Amerex Holding Co.	25
Anaconda Copper Mining	32-5/8
Chase National Bank	35-1/8
Sinclair Oil	19-7/8
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co.	48
General Electric Co.	36-1/4
General Motors	58-1/8
Ingersol Rand	61-1/4
International Nickel	28-3/4
National City Bank of New York	39½
New York Central Rail Road Co.	11
Socony Vasuum Corporation	15-1/2
Texas Corporation	50-3/8 exdiv.
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	42 bid
U. S. Steel Corporation Common	71-3/4

NEW YORK SILVER

NEW YORK, March 2.

U. S. Price of foreign Silver 71-1/2 cents

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, March 2.

Silver Spot and Forward	43-1/2d
Gold bars fine per oz.	£8/12/3.

LONDON WHEAT

LONDON, March 2.

LONDON Australian Wheat New crop)	96 Mar/Apl.

STATEMENT OF COTTON PRESSED IN INDIAN UNION (RUNNING BALES)

Week ending 11th February

	1949	1st Sept. to 11th February 1948	1948-49	1947-48
Madras	524			
Bombay	8296	3032	27207	138233
West Bengal	118	11068	125696	113494
United Provinces	...	226	521	3108
East Punjab	3330	167	...	208
Central Provinces	3908	2359	31497	24717
Berar	14114	6640	53856	88061
Ajmer/Marwara	1215	19171	185236	200736
Assam	...	201	15283	6110
Baroda State	11707	...	2342	777
Barwani State	597	...	73722	...
Hyderabad State	12197	275	6153	4328
Jaora State	588	15576	121118	167327
Mewar State	4774	...	954	...
Mysore State	...	1701	21782	9300
Patiala State	...	..	5490

FABULOUS SUM AS BRIBE

Inspector Miranda's Evidence In Morarka Case

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Further hearing of the Morarka Case was resumed in the court of Mr. K J Khambatta, Acting Chief Presidency Magistrate, this afternoon when Mr. K M Munshi, Defence Counsel, continued his cross-examination of Inspector Miranda.

In this case, Gokulchand Dwarkadas Morarka, a well-known millowner of Bombay and Rao Saheb Damjibhai Shah, a Municipal Corporator, are charged with attempting to bribe Inspector C I Miranda, of the Anti-Corruption Branch of the Bombay CID by offering him Rs. 1,00,000 in cash, so that he might get a case against the first accused under the High Demonetisation Ordinance, quashed.

Replying to Mr. Munshi's question, Inspector Miranda said that in his radio interview he had referred to the fabulous amount offered as bribe in the case which he had refused. He had also mentioned this in the remand application before the Court. Mr. Miranda further admitted that he had also referred in the said interview that the Home Minister of Bombay twice complimented him publicly for this case, and also of making use of a personal friend to trap the accused.

KALYANIWALA'S ARREST

Further, answering Mr. Munshi's questions, Mr. Miranda said that Nowsherwanji Kalyaniwala was arrested on Feb. 20, 1948. He had not asked him any question before the arrest. Kalyaniwala was not charge-sheeted so yet. The witness said that during the Excise Conspiracy case, he came to know Mr. Kalyaniwala very well and on inquiry found that he had rented a room in a hotel situated in the same building where the office of the Anti-Corruption Branch was situated. One of the accused in the Excise Conspiracy case, Dr. Anthony was staying in that room. This the witness learnt later.

Here replying to the Court's query as to why he was referring to the Excise case, Mr. Munshi said that he wanted to prove that Kalyaniwala, who is a witness in this case, was under the thumb of Mr. Miranda so that he could utilise him according to his will. Mr. Munshi said that Kalyaniwala was an agent in several trapping cases.

Giving the details of the Excise Conspiracy case, Mr. Miranda said that certain persons were arrested for giving a bribe to an Excise Police Officer. Kalyaniwala was one of them. Kalyaniwala later helped the witness by telling him the truth in the case. The witness did not know whether Kalyaniwala had helped in getting Mr. B L Desai, Mamlatdar of Kalyan arrested for accepting a bribe but he got Sam Bnarucha, a Sub-Inspector of Police, arrested for accepting a bribe.

Mr. Miranda said that he never behaved in a way as to create an impression in the minds of others that he was a corruptible officer.

Further cross-examination was adjourned till tomorrow.

T.W.A. PROPOSALS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

"I was encouraged and pleased by the interest in a proposal made by me some time ago to study the possibility of exchanging scholarships between India and America," Dr. John Furbay, Trans World Airline A.r Age Education Director, announced recently in New York.

"At the time of the announcement, it had only been intended to indicate the interest of TWA in developing such a programme as one method of broadening knowledge of these two countries through wider educational opportunities."

"Unfortunately", Dr. Furbay continued, "this desire was interpreted as a definite accomplishment. Actually, the ramifications involved in such a programme are such that it will require lengthy discussions and negotiations involving not only Indian and American groups, but other international agencies as well".

"Our recently effective student vacation rates applicable to Indian students studying in Europe or U. K. is a step in the right direction."

"We in TWA plan to continue our study of this interesting educational idea. For the present at least, the scholarships must remain only as a plan. If there are any developments, they will be announced in due course".

Bombay Central Consumers' Co-op.

A meeting of the card-holders of the Government Grainshop No. 186 was convened by the Controller of Rationing and held on Tuesday last, to consider its transfer to the Bombay Central Consumers' Co-operative Society. The gathering of the card-holders voted Mr. David Shaw to the chair and unanimously voted in favour of transferring the shop to the society.

Africa And Overseas Merchants' Chamber

The first meeting of the new Managing Committee of Africa and Overseas Merchants' Chamber, presided over by its Chairman Mr. H. M. Shah of Messrs. Virchand Panachand & Co.:—(1) Messrs. Abdul Hamid Ismail & Co., (2) Messrs. Patel & Company, (3) Messrs. Mehta Limited, and (4) Messrs Manekchand Makanji.

The following were appointed office-bearers:—Mr. G. M. Meghji, Vice-President; Mr. H. S. Savani, Hon. Secretary; Mr. M. L. Patel, Hon. Secretary; Mr Babubhai C. Desai, Hon. Treasurer.

Kandyan Dancers

Gurunnanse N. M. Gurusya the front-rank Kandyan dancer and troupe will give dance recitals at Sunderabai Hall, on Saturday, the 5th inst., at 6-30 p.m., under the patronage of the Mayor of Bombay.

On Sunday, 6th inst., at 3-30 p.m., under the patronage of Mrs. Lesiaw Sthi Munshi, and on the same day, at 6-30 p.m., under the patronage of the Consul-General for the U. S. A. Mr. Clare Hayes Timberlake.

All these shows are in aid of the Maha Bodhi Society School, Hospital and Orphanage Fund. The dancers gave recitals in Calcutta and Delhi which were appreciated by Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru and foreign diplomats.

MADHAVBAG CHARITIES

High Court Dismisses Appeal

(Before the Hon. the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Coyajee.)

Dharamdas Hargovindas and Another. ..... Appellants.

vs.

Purshottamdas V. Mehta and Others. ..... Respondents.

This was an appeal arising out of a suit under Section 92 of the Code of Civil Procedure filed by two relators with the sanction of the Advocate-General in respect of Madhavbag charities consisting of the Laxminarayan Temple and of a block of buildings dedicated "inter alia" for use on festive and religious occasions, for the removal of Lilavati wife of Manordas Tribhowandas from her office as Trustee of the said Trusts and for the framing of a scheme by the Court in respect of those Trusts including a provision for the appointment of some of the Trustees from the general body of Hindus without its being restricted to the Kapol Bania community.

The President and Vice-President of the Kapol Bania community (the present appellants), and Sir Ishwardas Lakhmidas who claimed to be a direct descendant of the settlor were made party defendants by the Court on their own application. Pending the suit, Dharamdas Tribhowandas (one of the Trustees) died and his name was struck off the record.

The Trial Judge Mr. Justice Bhagwati held that having regard to the fact that the general body of Hindus had contributed considerably to the funds of the Madhavbag Charities, the number of Trustees should be extended from four to seven—of whom two were to be appointed in accordance with certain provisions of the original Trust Deed with regard to members of the settlor's family, two from the Kapol Bania community, and the remaining three from the general Hindu public inclusive of members of the Kapol Bania community. As the validity of Lilavati's appointment had been challenged she resigned in the course of the hearing before the trial court but had been re-appointed as one of the members of the general Hindu public. Sir Ishwardas as a direct descendant of the settlor was also appointed a Trustee by the Court.

The President and Vice-President of the Kapol Bania community appealed from this decision of the Trial Judge. On their behalf Sir Jamshedji Kanga conceded that as the appointment of Trustees affected the management and not the objects of the Trust the Court had jurisdiction to go outside the Kapol Bania community and provide for the appointment of members from the general Hindu public, but he contended that in doing so in this case the Trial Judge had not exercised his discretion judicially because there had been no change in circumstances since the framing of the original Scheme for the trust in 1939.

Dismissing the appeal, Their Lordships held that having regard to the large increase in funds, it was desirable to have a larger number of Trustees, and that the Judge had exercised his discretion properly.

Sir Jamshedji Kanga and Mr. M. L. Manekshs instructed by Messrs. Payne and Co. appeared for the appellants.

Mr. M. P. Amin and Mr. K. M. Vakil instructed by Messrs. Matubhai Jamietram and Madon appeared for respondents 1 and 2.

Mr. V. F. Taraporevala and Mr. H. M. Seervai instructed by Messrs. Romer Dadachanji and Sethna appeared for respondents 3 and 5.

Mr. H. D. Banaji and Mr. R. M. Mehta instructed by Messrs. Ambubhai and Divanji appeared for respondent 6.

Registration Of Nurses And Midwives

The Government of Bombay has amended the Bombay Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Registration Rules 1936.

According to one of the amended rules demobilised nurses will be admitted as probationers for training as nurses in any training institution on certain conditions.

The amended rules have been published in the Bombay Government Gazette Part IV-B of January 6, 1949.

Bombay Ban On Meetings And Processions

The Commissioner of Police, Greater Bombay, has extended for a period of one month, from March 3, his order prohibiting the organising or holding or convening or calling together of any assembly or procession by the workers and employees of Railways, Posts and Telegraphs and HMI Dockyard or by any other person or persons in connection with, or in respect of, the demands or grievances of the workers and employees of Railways, Posts and Telegraphs and HMI Dockyard in Greater Bombay.

Hindu Divorce Act To Be Amended

A Bill to amend the Bombay Hindu Divorce Act, 1947, has been published in the Bombay Government Gazette of March 1.

The statement of objects and reasons accompanying the Bill states that section 3 of the present Act provides inter alia for a divorce being granted on the ground of the defendant being a concubine of some other person or having another woman as his mistress, but the Act does not expressly provide for an opportunity being given to the named adulterer or the adulteress to intervene and deny the allegations made against him or her if they are false. As it is unfair to deny to the named adulterer or the adulteress the right to intervene and defend his or her honour, it is proposed to make him or her a necessary party to the suit. The Bill is intended to give effect to this proposal.

DISPOSAL OF EVACUEE PROPERTY

Sindhi Association's Demand

A meeting of the prominent Sindhis of Bombay was held on Wednesday at the office of the Sindhi Resettlement Corporation when Dr. Choithram Gidwani, President of the All-India Refugee Association explained in detail the failure of the Inter-Dominion agreement of Evacuees Property question. He also showed from the Pakistan sources how they were making propaganda for not buying property left over by Hindus and Sikhs. Several others also spoke giving instances as to how the Pakistan Government had broken the agreement. The concensus of opinion was that the Karachi agreement has not proved successful and that the operation of administration of Evacuees Property Act should be extended to whole of Indian Dominion, including the States and the Properties and interests possessed by Muslims who have migrated to Pakistan or have shifted wholly or partly their business interests or families should be declared Evacuee property and its sale should be prohibited forthwith. In the end, a small sub-committee was formed to draft a resolution with facts and figures which will be placed in the next meeting to be held on Monday.

Jaipur-Jodhpur Greater Rajasthan Talks

(From Our Correspondent)

JODHPUR, March 1.

The Maharaja of Jodhpur has arrived here by a special plane from Jaipur to see the Maharaja of Jodhpur. It is reported that the Maharaja of Jodhpur, like the Maharana of Udaipur, has not signed as yet the covenant for the Greater Rajasthan. It is also stated that the Maharaja of Jodhpur is offered Up-Rajpramukhship in the Greater Rajasthan.

QUESTION OF CAPITAL

A spokesman of the Jodhpur Maharaja contradicted the report that the Maharaja of Jodhpur has agreed that Jaipur should be made capital of Greater Rajasthan. He said that the Maharaja wants that Jaipur, Udaipur, Bikaner, Jodhpur and other cities of Greater Rajasthan should be given opportunity to represent their case and then any place should be selected in consultation with Sardar Patel and people of Greater Rajasthan.

G. I. P. RAILWAY EXHIBITION

100 Intrically-Made Models On View

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Over one hundred intrically-made mechanical models and fine specimen of handicrafts and needlework, were displayed at the third Model and Handicraft Exhibition at the G.I.P. Railway Institute, Parel, today.

Performing the opening ceremony of the Exhibition, organised by the G.I.P. Railway Technicians' Association, Lt. Col. A. C. Paranjyoti, Chief Mechanical Engineer of the G.I.P. Railway, said model was not a toy, but a working replica of the original and mechanical genius and labour were required to make it.

He appreciated the enthusiasm and hard work put in by exhibitors and hoped that in years to come the whole of Bombay would turn up see these annual exhibitions of models and handicrafts.

The exhibition consists of mechanical models of locomotives, railway compartments, a mechanically controlled station, ships, yatch, houses, craft and needle work.

Mr. J. A. Cox carried away the first prize consisting of a Gold Medal for the best exhibit for his "G.I.P. Tank Locomotive Model." Mr. A. E Tarwalla was recipient of two sectional prizes for his carpentry and fret work. Mrs. I. Pasanah (Needle Work), Mr. Cox (Mechanical Model). Mr. A. Gonsalves (Ship and Yacht) and Mr. A. P. Mitte (Model electric) bagged other prizes.

A model of plane made by 11 year old Master Harpit Singh Grill was well commended by visitors.

The exhibition will remain open for the public till March 7.

Medical Relief For Rural Parts In Madras

MADRAS, March 3 (UPI): With a view to affording medical relief to rural parts the Madras Government have prepared a scheme to put into service six mobile medical units to begin with.

The Government have sent the proposal to the Government of India for approval, and have requested them for a grant of 50 per cent of the total expenditure involved in the proposal.

Easier Trend On London Stock Exchange

LONDON, March 3. (PTI-Reuter): Sellers made merry in the London Stock Exchange today and once again there were sharp declines over a broad list. prices tumbled in all sections and few issues in the industrial section escaped. Attempts to rally were seen however but these were few and feeble.

Declines of 1-16th were shown by tobaccos, breweries and motors; miscellaneous industrials were from a few Pence to on Shilling lower.

Oils were heavily marked down although one or two including Anglo-Iranian, Burmahs and Ultramar finished above the worst.

There was some precautionary lowering of values in British Government Stocks. Prices were widely 1/8th lower and wider quotations were being made. Trading in this section was small.

Although there was a fair amount of selling generally, pressure was not great. The tone of most sections at the close was weak. Mining sections showed many losses although bear covering assisted certain South Africans.

FRESH ORDER ON AHMEDABAD MILLS

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Mar. 3.

The Textile authorities have issued an order asking all the mills to stop production of 32-inches-wide long cloth, which has resulted in the stoppage of a number of looms of smaller breadth.

Hundreds of workers will be thrown out sequel to this order and some clerks will also be affected.

A special officer has been appointed by the Textile authorities to look after the production of the mills. Wide powers have been given to these officers to search, arrest, check and even seize cloth.

Brake On Progress Of Export Drive

Mr. Chinoobhai C. Javeri President of the All-India Exporters Association, on the budgetary proposals by the Bombay and Central Governments as affecting the export trade of the country states:—

The levy of three pies in a rupee proposed by the Bombay Government Province should be considered ill-advised and unwarranted in the context of the disintegrating export trade of the country, because the bulk of the export trade passes through the port of Bombay. This impost would definitely act as a brake on the progress of our export drive. In many cases, the Sale Tax on export goods would operate twice, where goods are produced in other provinces. With the international competition daily growing and conditions of Buyers' markets rapidly developing in the importing countries, the new impost would be a further burden rendering the sale of our goods abroad very difficult.

Considering the contraction of our exports in cotton textiles and consensus of general trade opinion in favour of abolition of the remaining export duty on cotton textiles, it was a foregone conclusion that the export duty would be abolished in the Budget by the Central Government. It has been retained, however, for reasons best known to the Finance Minister. The situation already grave, has been further aggravated by the Provincial impost, as I have said before, and the simultaneous operation of two taxes on our exports of cotton textiles, will be I AM AFRAID, THE LAST STRAW TO BREAK THE BACK OF OUR EXPORT TRADE.

Whilst the retension of the export duty on Cotton Textiles is deplorable the abolition of export duties on Oils and Oilseeds will be widely appreciated by all concerned. But this abolition is woefully followed by a fresh levy on another item—Cigars and Cigarettes, the export trade of which is in the process of being built up. The striking feature of the Free India's Fiscal Policy seems to be putting clogs in the wheel of the Export Drive in various forms and at various stages both by the Centre and the Provinces with the cummulative effect that the export programme of the country as a whole when it should be most encouraged has been jeopardised. I wish that the actions of the Government should not run counter to its own professions.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Slightly Improved Tone

CALCUTTA, March 3: Slightly improved note was noticed amongst the more speculative issues due to renewed buying and a moderate business was reported.

Following are today's final transactions upto 2-30 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Three per cent Loan 1986 99, Three per cent Loan 1961/64 101/7, three per cent Loan 1957 101/4 S. Lot, Three per cent Loan 1963/65 100/6 S. Lot, Three per cent Loan 1966/68 100, Three per cent Loan 1960/75 99/12 S. Lot, Four per cent Loan 1960/70 110/8.

BANKS: Bharat Bank 4/1, Hind Bank 28/12, Hindustan Mercantile Bank 20 S. Lot.

COALS: Bengal 438, Burrakur 12/13, Churulia 5/4, Dhemo Main 13/7, Equitable 35/12, Standard 17/10, East Indian 31/4, South Karanpura 26,3, West Jamuria 28/4.

JUTES: Anglo-India Pref. 153, Craig 15/4, S. L. Gourepore Pref. 136.

MININGS: Burma Corp. 2/11, Consolidated Tin 1/1, Indian Copper 2/4, Tavoy Tin annas thirteen, Karanpura Dev 27.

MISCELLANEOUS: Sone Valley Cement 7/1, Bathgate and Co. 3/7, Calcutta Electric 19/10, Indian St. Wagon 71/8, Jessop and Co. 16/12, Steel Corp. 20/13, Textile Machinery 8/1 BIO 8/8 Cum. Div. Great Eastern Hotel 265, National Tobacco 19/13, British Burma Petrol 1/12, India Paper Pulp 160, Titaghur Paper 36,3, Assam Sawa 7/8, Calcutta Landing and Shipping 14, India General Navgn. 96, India Steamship 8/12.

SUGARS: Carew and Co. 9/4, Murree Brewery 9/14.

Teas: Bhatkowa 30/8, Hasimara 48, Patrakola 253, Sapoi 22-12.

Calicut Market

(From Our Correspondent.)

CALICUT, March 3.

Coiryarn Beypore 135/145, Quilandy 145/155, Fibre Garbled 90, Ungarbled 80, Cocoanuts Raw 165/167, Dry 155/160, Cocoanut Oil 590, Copra Office 390, Dilpasand 400, Madras-Nottam 425, Pepper, Wynaad 1325, Country 1300, Dry Ginger Chernal 650, Ernad 625, Coffee Robusta 150, Timber Pali 60/65, Junglewood 35/45, Vellapine 50/60, Benteak 30/40, Teak 80/120, Mango 3/3/8, Teak 10/17, Rosewood 12/20.

Ahmedabad Share Market

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, March 3.

Market ruled firm. General trend is constructive in steel shares while in Calico tomorrow's announcement is keenly awaited. Some expect changes in budget.

Calico Opened 1240, Highest 1250, Lowest 1238, Closed 1242.

Arvind Opened 1460, Highest 1475, Closed 1471.

Defered Opended 1623, Highest 1633, Closed 1630.

Closing quotations: Arvind 1471, Ambika 301, Calico 1242, Maroon 183, Monogram 168, Deffered 1630, Mafatlal Fine 1390, Vivekanand 217-8-0, Bhalakia 182-8-0, Rohit 395, Silver Cotton 200.

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON MAY.

NEW YORK, March 3.

Previous Closing	32.20
Today's Opening	32.23
Difference	+3
Today's Closing	32.20
Difference	Nil

LAST QUOTATIONS.

BOMBAY, March 3.

	Rs.	As.
Silver Bullion Ready	188	0
Gold Ready	117	12
Sovereign	75	8

EXPECTATION:

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NEW YORK STOCKS.

NEW YORK, March 3.

Stock Exchange opening prices:—Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 32-5/8. General Motors dol. 58-1/4. United States Steel Common dol. 71-5/8. United States Steel Preference unquoted.—(Reuter).

Karachi Cotton Market

(From Our Correspondent.)

KARACHI, March 3.

Cotton Ready Sind NT Rollers 92, Punjab 299, F 95, LSS 88, Four F 85/8, Desi Sind 62/8. Market steady with moderate demand. Turnover yesterday totalled 2510 bales, Exports 5450 bales, of which 940 for Bombay rest for European Ports, local stocks about 250000 bales of which 220000 with exporters Rest unsold. Private estimates Place Cotton Crop in Pakistan current season at about ten lac bales.

Cottonseeds NT Ready 8/12, April 9/2, May 9/6. Easy on news about abolition of export duty on oilseeds exports from India.

Bullion Gold Tejabi 108/8, Sovereigns 68/8, Silver 135, Steady.

STOCK EXCHANGE:

Pakistan State Bank 102/8, Habib Bank 180, Karachi Electric 133, Valika Textiles 89, Three per cent 1960 Pakistan Loan 101/2.

SAURASHTRA MARKET QUOTATIONS

(From Our Correspondent.)

RAJKOT, March 3.

Rajkot Silver Fagan 188/8 0, Rajkot Sugar Chaitra 91/4/0, Rajkot Aranda May 134/15/0, Jamnagar Silver Fagan 184/4/0, Jamnagar Aranda May 134/4 0, Wadhwan Cotton Jeth 28/8/6, Wadhwan Sugar Vaishakh 16/1/0.

Export Duty On Piecegoods Acts As Handicap

The Secretary, the Millowners' Association, Bombay has sent the following telegram to the Finance Minister, New Delhi,

Millowners Association greatly disappointed at failure to remove ten per cent export duty on piecegoods inspite of clear and overwhelming proof that such duty had been a tremendous handicap to exports.

Budget speech says: "Export duty has to be levied with care with reference not so much to revenue considerations as to the need for maintaining country's exports". No clearer justification could have been given for removal of export duty on piecegoods than these words and yet duty is maintained. Suggest immediate reconsideration in larger interests of country.

Millowners Association cannot but express amazement at proposed excise duties on cloth especially on medium and coarse cloth in a Budget intended to be anti inflationary.

Such duties likely to have exactly opposite effect from that intended by putting up price of one of the most essential items in cost of living. Finance Minister's statement that this duty was necessitated in order to replace loss caused by abolition of salt duty most alarming as this seems to contemplate excise on cloth as permanent measure of fiscal policy. Next to food cloth most essential need of mankind and adequate provision at reasonable prices must be one of principal aims of those concerned with raising standard of living of masses. In the circumstances excise duty on cloth and specially on medium and coarses cloth very retrograde step. Millowners Association most earnestly suggest that few crores likely to accrue from this duty should be made up from other sources or by effecting economies for which rich field exists in Central Government expenditure.

Effect of this duty likely to be further aggravated by Bombay Government's decision to impose sales tax at three pies per rupee. Have already addressed you in this connection and would reiterate the detrimental effect of such a tax especially on exports.

Commonwealth Food Gift To Britain

LONDON (By Cable).

Fifty-four thousand tons of gift food have been received in Britain from the Commonwealth in the three years ended December last. This has been announced by the Minister of Food, Mr. John Strachey.

This figure is exclusive of the 50,000,000 gift parcels sent to individuals.

Food was sent for general distribution to people most in need. More than 1,900 hospitals, 2,500 charitable institutions and 1,900 schools have benefited.—(London Press Service.)

Steady Conditions On Madras Share Market

MADRAS, March 3: Quiet and steady conditions prevailed on the local market with business on the small side. Indian bank both fully paid and Rs. 75 paid were a shade easier. Plantings were dull with little business. Textiles were steady with Bukingham done at Rs. 153 and Rachakrishna at Rs. 139. Miscellaneous section was neglected.

Market closed steady.

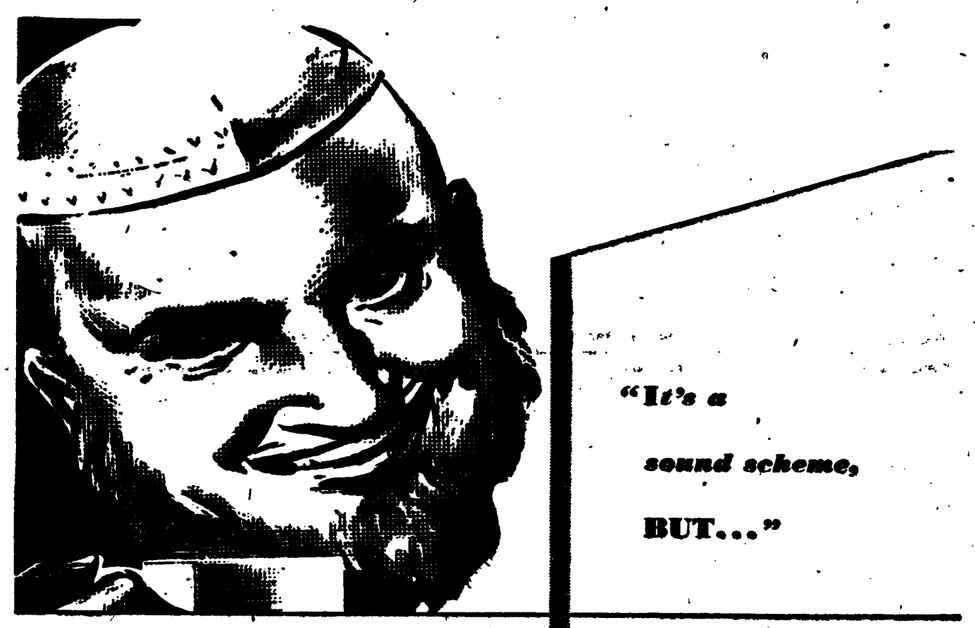
Following are closing quotations:—GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Government of India Three per cent Paper 98 8, Three per cent 1986 99/1, Three per cent 1953/55 101/10, Three per cent Government of Madras 1960 100/1.

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Deccan 17, Travancore 8/6.

PLANTINGS: Blue Mountain 4/4, Chembra 4/10, Cochin Malabar 4/4, Devashola 18/2, Midland 5/6, Nellampathy 1/5/6, Ouchterlony 25/12, Pullangode 1, Thirumbadi 2/3 6, T. R. and T. Co. 5/9.

TEXTILES: Buckingham Pref. 192, Cambodia 9/1, Coimbatore CM 111/8, Lakshmi 263/8, Madura 43/8, Llettur 304/8, Radhakrishna 138, Rajalakshmi 256/8, Ranga Vilas 45/8, Trav Rayons 4, Trichinopoly 11/2

MISCELLANEOUS: F. A. C. T. 4/14, India Cement 12/4, Mettur Chem. 7/8, Mysore Chem. Wert 6/14.



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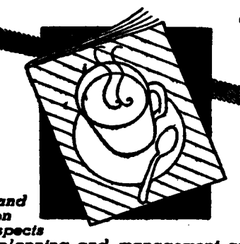

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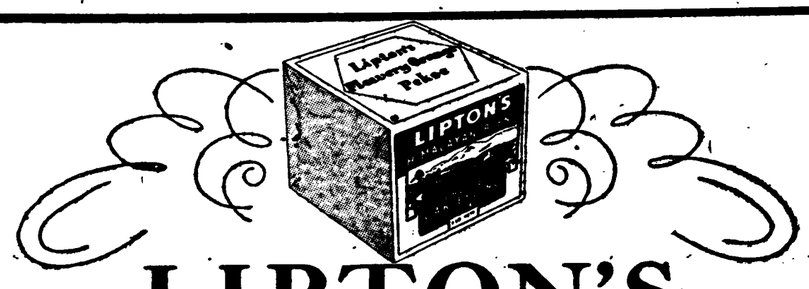

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Parliament's Homage To Sarojini

"SHE STOOD FOR UNITY OF INDIA IN ALL ITS PHASES" SAYS NEHRU

NEW DELHI, March 3 (API): In pin-drop silence, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, leader of the House, paid a moving tribute in Parliament today to the late Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, describing her as "an ideal ambassador, an ideal link between the east and west and between various parts and groups in India".

"I have no doubt", he said, "that India will produce great men and women in the future as she had done in the past, but I wonder whether she will, or can, produce just another like Sarojini."

"As Governor of a great province", the Prime Minister said, "she functioned with exceeding ability and exceeding success, as can be judged from the fact that everyone in the province from the Premier and Ministers various groups and classes and religious communities down to the worker and the peasant in the field were drawn to her and found welcome in her heart. She succeeded very greatly as a Governor and as a great servant of the State in an exalted position. But it is not as a Governor that I am speaking of her, for she was a much greater person than Governor's are normally supposed to be.

PART OF NATIONAL HERITAGE

"What exactly she was it is a little difficult for me to say, because she has become almost a part of us, a part of our national heritage and part of us individuals who had the great privilege to be associated with her for a multitude of years in our struggle for freedom and in our work and play. Here was a person of great brilliance, vital and vivid, with so many gifts, some of which made her perfectly unique.

WHOLE LIFE, A POEM

"She began life as a poet and in later years when the compulsion of events drew her in the national struggle she shrew herself into it with all her zest and fire. She did not write much poetry with pen and paper but her whole life became a poem and a song. She infused artistry and poetry into our national struggle just as the Father of the Nation had infused moral grandeur and greatness into that struggle. She brought that indomitable spirit which not only face disaster and catastrophe but faced them with a light heart and with a song on her lips and a smile on her face.

"RICH AND PRECIOUS BEING IS NO MORE"

"Sarojini brought that human point in view, full of understanding, full of passion for all whether in India or outside. She stood more than any human being for the unity of India in all its phases, culturally and geographically. It is well to remember when we fall into narrow grooves, that greatness has never come from narrowness of mind or action. True greatness for a national, as for an individual, comes from wide vision, wide perspective and a human approach to life. She became an interpreter in India of many great things that the West has produced and she became an interpreter of India's rich cultural heritage.

"A rare being, a rich and precious being, is no more and that is sorrow for us. And year, it is something more than sorrow. It is, if we view it in another light, a joy and triumph that the India of our generation has produced such rare spirits which have inspired us and will inspire us in future."

"THE INCOMPARABLE SAROJINI NAIDU"

Nawab Ismail Khan associated himself with the tributes paid by the Leader of the House and said that even in the midst of bitter political controversies which tore the country some time ago, there was hardly any person in any group who did not took upon her with respect and affection. She was indeed "the incomparable Sarojini Naidu".

Sir H. P. Mody said that in her death an amazing personality had passed away. She was the most remarkable woman of the age and it was not surprising that her death had caused profound sorrow to millions of people.

The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, in a brief speech said that the late Mrs. Naidu had lived a rich and glorious life and had firmly implanted herself in the hearts of all.

The House stood for a minute in silence as a mark of respect to the memory of Mrs. Naidu.

High Cost Of Indian Sugar Criticised

NEW DELHI, Mar. 3 (API)—The high cost of Indian sugar was criticised in Parliament today when the Food Minister, Mr Jairamdas Daulatram, said in reply to Mr. Sidhwa that the ex-factory price of Indian sugar was Rs. 28-8 while the import price of foreign sugar was between Rs. 16 and Rs. 17.

Mr. Sidhwa: "Will protection given to the Indian sugar industry help Government's anti-inflation policy?"

Mr. Jairamdas: "The only other alternative is to allow your own industry to suffer."

Mr. Jairamdas told Seth Govind Das that the question of continuing protection, which was due to expire on March 31, would be examined on receipt of the proposals of the Tariff Board. The industry was at present receiving indirect protection by the present ban on the import of foreign sugar.

IMPORT DUTY

Replying to further supplementaries, Mr. Jairamdas said that the import duty would make some difference to the cost of foreign sugar if sold in this country. At present the duty was not charted because of the ban.

Mr. Sidhwa: "It is not a fact that the sugar industry has made one hundred per cent profit?"

Mr. Jairamdas: "Sugar industrialists have made substantial profits but all these aspects of the question will be examined when the tariff board's report of the question will be examined when the tariff board's report is under consideration."

The Food Minister said in reply to another supplementary that the margin of profit allowed to millowners was ten percent. The high price of Indian sugar were due to several reasons, including the price of sugar cane, wages of labour as well as the manufacturing process.

PAKISTAN UNWILLING TO BUY

Mr. Jairamdas said in reply to Mr. Alagesan that it was a fact that on account of the high cost of Indian sugar, Pakistan imported sugar from other countries.

Mr. Sidhwa: "Is not the additional excise duty bound further to increase the price of sugar?"

Mr. Jairamdas: "That is obvious".

Mr. Thirumala Rao: "Is it a fact that sugar factories under European management in Cawnpore had a profit of Rs. 8 lakhs last year and expect a profit of Rs. 17 lakhs this year?"

Mr. Jairamdas replied that he had no such information.

SAROJINI DEVI DIED A SOLDIER'S DEATH

Premier Kher's Tribute

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Paying a tribute to the Tmemory of the late Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, who died in the early hours of Wednesday morning, Mr. B. G. Kher Premier of Bombay, in a broadcast talks from the Bombay Station of All India Radio, Wednesday evening, said that she died a soldier's leaving behind, in the heart of her people, an anguish and a sense of loss that could never be retrieved. Mr. Kher added that her personality and life, as also her extremely human qualities, would be like a guiding star to inspire the women of India for generations to come. He said that he sustained in her death a personal loss. She always called him her son and treated him as such.

The Premier said: "We attained Freedom on August 15, 1947 and celebrated it with great joy and enthusiasm. Within a few months, cruel fate made us mourn the loss of Mahatmaji, who did more than any one else to help us to achieve it. And now, we have lost Sarojini Devi, who stood valiently by his side in his unique struggle — never wavered, never faltered — a glorious symbol of India's true devoted faithful womanhood. I have no words to describe the agony of our soul. She was a creative artist, leader of the Indian freedom movement and of the Indian Women's struggle for emancipation and the heroic figure who fought shoulder to shoulder with Mahatma Gandhi.

She had always been prominent in the counsels of the nation's greatest leaders and her long experience, tact and irresistible charm of personality were a national asset. She toured foreign countries, addressed audiences and brought them under her influence with her great gifts not merely of an orator, but also of her personality which was that of a true statesman and a charm which was that of a good womanly woman. She was a peacemaker and did her best to bring about communal concord. She could speak Urdu with the same facile expression and eloquence as she did English. She possessed a keen sense of humour and bore her sorrows with the fortitude of a store.

"Her personality and life as also her extremely human qualities will be like a guiding star to inspire the woman of India for generations to come. I have sustained in her death a personal loss — she always called me her son and treated me as such. Devoted wife — loving mother — Poet — Orator, ambassador — Governor — guide philosopher and friend what have we not lost in thy death Sarojini Devi! I offer my pranams to your memory.".

10,000 Acres Reclaimed In Madhyabharat

NEW DELHI, March 3, (UPI): A unit of 15 tractors of the Central Ministry of Agriculture is operating at Bhilsa in the Madhya Bharat Union on a 10,000 acre area of wasteland. This area was once well-known for its excellent wheat crop, but has been out of cultivation for nearly two decades, mainly because of serious kans-infestation.

This reclamation programme is an integral part of the All-India scheme of bringing six millions acres of new land under cultivation. In Madhya Bharat one and a half million acres will be reclaimed during the next 7 years. It is proposed to divide the entire reclaimed area into farms each of three hundred acres.

Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Food and Agriculture Minister, paid a flying visit to the area on Wednesday and saw the progress made. About 800 acres have already been ploughed up, and it is expected that the work which began in the first week of February, will be completed during the current season.

The Dominion Agriculture Minister was met my Pandit Liladhar Joshi, Premier Madhya Bharat, and other Ministers of the Union.

Addressing a meeting of cultivators Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram exhorted them to assist the Government in increasing food production to make freedom a reality.

16 'Reds' Arrested In Calcutta

CALCUTTA, March 3 (UPI): Officers of the special branch of the Calcutta Police conducted yesterday simultaneous raids in different parts of the City and arrested 16 Communists under the West Bengal Security Act.

A large number of alleged objectional leaflets were seized at many places.

Bi-Spindled Charkha Training At Madras

MADRAS, March 3 (UPI): The Madras Government have sanctioned a scheme to train workers in the use of Bi-spindled charkas which spin 1-1/2 to 1-1/3 times as much yarn as the ordinary charka, at a cost of Rs. 5,000.

The training will be for a period of three months at Gandhi Niketan, Kallupatti, Madura district.

British Electrical Experts Exploring Industrial Sites

HAZARIBAGH, March 3 (UPI): A batch of British electrical experts requisitioned by the Government of India visited Hazaribagh, Ramgarh, Ranchi and some other areas yesterday for exploring suitable industrial sites.

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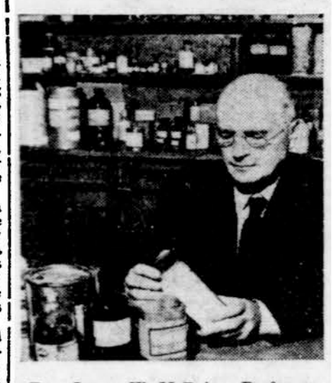

Dr. James W. McBain, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry at Stanford University, Stanford, California, who has accepted appointment by the Central Government of India as director of the National Chemical Laboratories of India. The U.S. scientist will serve the Indian Government for an initial period of three years.—USIS PHOTO.

Heavy Industries To Be Started In Orissa

CUTTACK, March 2 (API).—Three heavy industries are proposed to be started shortly in Orissa, a province on the east coast of India, which is said to be endowed with rich, untapped mineral resources. The Premier of the Province, Mr. H. Mahatab disclosed these proposed industries when he presented the budget estimates for 1949-50 in the Assembly.

With the help of certain German and American firms, it is proposed to manufacture synthetic fuel including aviation spirit, petrol and kerosene from coal. The factory, it is understood, will be closed to the provincial headquarters, Cuttack, which is about 50 miles from the coal mines of Talcher.

With the help of British experts it has been decided to establish a factory to manufacture tractors which will be available to the cultivators at a cheap cost. The factory will be on the banks of Mahanadi, one of the major rivers on the east coast, which is now being dammed on the lines of the American Tennessey Valley Dams, about 150 miles upstream from Cuttack.

For the manufacture of machine tools, blades, magnates, stainless steel sheets, etc., it has been proposed to establish a factory with the aid of a British firm. This factory will also be on the Mahanadi banks near Cuttack.

SOUTHERN ASIA REGIONAL CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, March 2 (U.P.A.): The Department of State announced today that a Southern Asia Regional Conference will be held in New Delhi in the first week of April to provide opportunities for an informal exchange of views between representatives of government agencies in Washington and of the Foreign Service.

It said this was the type of foreign service conferences frequently held in various parts of the world. In this instance, the area, Southern Asia, stretches from Iran to the Philippines.

INDIAN REFUGEES FROM BURMA ARRIVE IN MADRAS

Narrate Harrowing Tales Of Their Woe To Pressmen

MADRAS, March 2 (API): Indian refugees, numbering 530 from Burma, arrived here today by the 'S. S. Karapara'. The refugees gave pressmen harrowing tales of their woe, following the first flare up of civil war in Burma. They said they were but a section of those who were awaiting repatriation in Rangoon. Most of the evacuees, according to one of the spokesmen, were employed in different occupations in interior parts of Burma. When struggle between the Burmans and Kerens broke out they had to flee for their lives leaving behind their belongings. Many Indians were, they said, the victims of the fight between Burmans and Kerens.

S. AFRICAN MINISTER CRITICISES RUSSIA

Consulate In Pretoria Turned Into Propaganda Centre

MIDDLEBURG, Transvaal, March 2, (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Eric Louw, South African Minister for Economic Affairs tonight accused the Soviet Consulate in Pretoria of being the centre of a Communist propaganda drive which he said, had reached tremendous proportions in recent months.

"The present situation is extremely dangerous. South Africa has to be on the alert", he said.

What had happened in Canada could happen in South Africa, he added, in a reference to alleged Russian espionage activities in Canada.

Trade relations between south Africa and the Soviet Union did not warrant Russian diplomatic representation, yet the staff of the Russian Consulate was of extraordinary magnitude, Mr. Louw said.

A special Russian courier travelled to Moscow from the Consulate every month with secret documents.

Mr. Louw accused the Soviet Consulate of having produced thousands of pamphlets which he said were being distributed among the peoples of the Belgian Congo.

Jute Committee Meeting

CALCUTTA, March 3 (UPI): The 24th meeting of the Indian Central Jute Committee will be held here from March 8 to March 11, Sir Datar Singh presiding.

Several proposals to do away with the idea of too much dependence for the supply of raw jute following the partition of the country, are included in the agenda which will come up for discussion at the meeting.

Reuter Goodwill Mission For India

NEW INDIAN PARTNERSHIP WELCOMED: 'GREAT EXPERIMENT' SAYS CHRISTOPHER CHANCELLOR

LONDON, March 2 (PTI-Reuter): The entry of the Press Trust of India into the ownership of Reuters and the departure for Bombay on Sunday next of a Reuter Goodwill Mission to India was marked by a dinner given by Mr. Christopher Chancellor, the General Manager of Reuters, at the Savoy Hotel.

Mr. Chancellor, who presided over the company, which included Mr. Krishna Menon, the High Commissioner for India, members of the Reuter Board and representatives of the Indian Press in London said:

"It is almost exactly two years since we embarked upon what we call our Australian partnership. We have now launched a wider enterprise—the Indian partnership. The Indian newspapers, through their new national news agency, have joined the Australian, New Zealand and United Kingdom Press in the Reuter ownership and the Reuter Trust.

A GREAT EXPERIMENT

"It gives me great pleasure to welcome here the Indian High Commissioner, Mr. Krishna Menon. I can assure him that everyone in Reuters will do all in his power to make this great partnership experiment a success and to give the Indian newspapers, through Reuters, an important and distinguished place in the world of international news. Together we plan to do something which we believe will have an important and lasting effect upon the relationship between the Indian and British Press.

A Reuter Mission is leaving for India on Sunday. It includes Lord Layton, Chairman of the 'News Chronicle', Mr. Graham, Chairman of the 'Express and 'Star of Wolverhampton', and Mr. Henderson, Chairman of the Australian Associated Press. We are looking forward to this journey to the new India—our mission is a gesture of good will and comradeship to our partners, the Indian newspapers.

PRACTICAL INTERNATIONALISM

"From what I have said, you will see that Reuters have now become something more than a world news agency. It has become a meeting place for the press of three continents. Also it represents an idea: it is an experiment in practical internationalism.

Mr. R. A. Henderson, Chairman of the Australian Associated Press and the Australian Director of Reuters, said:

"Reuters is an organisation which is dedicated to the objective presentation of the news of the world and those who own it and control it are sworn to keep it as a free and unfettered source of news.

"I am going to India with this Goodwill Mission because I think the association of India with the United Kingdom and with Australia in ensuring the maintenance of an undefiled news service like Reuters is a matter of paramount importance.

PRAISE FOR INDIAN JOURNALISM

"I know something of the Indian press, of its history and great achievement, and the journalism which has and still is producing many great newspapers. I think most of us here can learn much from the character and quality of the Indian press which has maintained the highest standards of journalism.

KRISHNA MENON'S HOPE

Mr. Krishna Menon, the High Commissioner for India said:

"These negotiations between the Indian press and Reuters which have now culminated in agreement represent in themselves the great changes which have taken place in the relationship between the two countries.

"The new relationship between the press of India and Reuters represents real progress and I would say that all should remember that they cannot look forward and look backwards at the same time. Then let us all resolve to look forward and do something about it.

The press of India is even today a small press but its development has been astounding and it is still multiplying. The growth of the press in India is something which must give pride to the country. It is a free press, but subject to censorship, and so far as the Government and the people of India are concerned Lord Layton and his team can be assured of a welcome worthy of India, and that no one will welcome them more than the newspaper representatives and the representatives of the people.

MISSSION OF GREAT INTEREST

Lord Layton, Chairman of the 'News Chronicle' and Star Newspapers and a Director of Reuters, said: "I do not think that we have ever undertaken a mission of such interest or one to which we have looked forward with such pleasure.

VERY IMPORTANT STEP

We have got to try and make an outstanding success of this conception of Reuter ownership It is a tremendous experiment that we are undertaking, the possibilities of which almost stagger one at times.

"We in Reuters are dedicated to keep the passage of news clean and pure throughout the world and to ensure this control must be outside Government. The Australian and New Zealand partnership has been an outstanding success and now we are going to try a partnership with one of the two greatest races of Asia.

"It is a very great experiment indeed and none of us are under any illusions about the many problems that lie ahead of us. But we believe that we have been strengthened by the entry of India into the ownership of Reuters because the leaders of the Indian press have the same conception of the tasks of Reuters as ourselves and we know that they are enthusiastic about the relationship that has been established. If ge succeed then I am quite certain that this great international conception will grow and make its contribution to the future peace of the world."

MISSION TO FULFIL

Mr. Leonard Matters of The Hindu, and the Chairman of the Indian and Eastern Newspaper Society who is the doyen of the London correspondents of Indian Newspapers, said that the London correspondents as the servants of the great press of India were delighted to know that the arrangements with the Reuters had been successful and they hoped that the new relatinship would prove satisfactory to both parties.

The press of India would uphold the finest standards of journalism known to the British press and would in no circumstances default from these standards. The Indian press felt it had a great mission to fulfil in satisfying the demand for information, enlightenment and political guidance of a great multitude of people.

GREAT FUTURE

Reuters could be assured that the P.T.I. would play its part in the years to come they would be proud of the day that they accepted the Indian press as a Reuter partner.

Sir Lloyd Dumas ("Adelaide Advertiser") a director of the Australian Associated Press, said he would like to assure his Indian friends that reservations and problems prior to the entry into the Reuter partnership had not been a prerogative of India because Australia had inevitably gone through the same process.

GOODWILL TOWARDS INDIA

Mr. Malcolm Graham, Chairman of the Express and Star, Wolverhampton, who is representing the British Provincial press on the goodwill mission, said that the Provincial Press of the United Kingdom had much in common with the press of India and he wished to express a warm greeting to his colleagues in India on the entry of the P.T.I. into the ownership of Reuters.

NEED FOR GOOD WILL AMONG NATIONS

Horace Alexander Suggests Effective Way To World Government

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A true World Government will be possible only through moral reformation. Mr Horace Alexander, noted British Pacifist and friend of Mahatma Gandhi, said here tonight.

Speaking on "Pacifism and World Government" under the auspices of the PEN and the Indian Institute for Educational and Cultural Co-operation at the Indian Merchants' Chamber Hall, Mr. Alexander asserted that it was mutual goodwill among nations and not treaty relations that was required for the formation of a World Government. The United Nations, for that reason, could not be a substitute for World Government, but it might well be a step in that direction.

"One of the worst diseases from the point of view of a world family," Mr. Alexander observed, "was the "deep-rooted narrow nationalism" that still persisted among peoples of the world. A world brotherhood could come only if everyone had a change of heart and thought of every human being, of whatever colour or country, as belonging to one family. It had to be realised by all that that the first duty of a man was to God and not to his country or province.

Declaring that Pacifism was not a 'negative' philosophy but a 'positive' and active doctrine, Mr. Alexander affirmed his belief that it was possible to overcome evil by good even in international relations. He said that in the West more and more people were beginning to believe in Pacifism.

Sir Rustom Masani, who presided over the meeting, introducing the speaker to the audience, said that he was "one of those earnest, thoughtful, and helpful British friends who sympathised with India's non-violent, struggle for independence." Sir Rustom added that he was an intimate friend of Mahatma Gandhi, and had come to India in connection with the World Pacifist Conference to be held at Santiniketan in December.

At the outset, Sir Rustom Masani made a reference to the death of Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, who was the President of the P.E.N. one of the organisations under whose auspices the meeting was held. The gathering observed a minute's silence all standing, in memory of Mrs. Naidu.

MUTT AND JEFF—And It Didn't Even Require A Prescription

By BUD FISHER

BOMBAY'S STREET VENDORS

49. The Toy-Seller

He is waiting with that assortment of four-footers, with a smile of confidence. He has plied his trade for long and seen many a triumph when a child has resorted to 'satyagraha' near his humble show-case. He has seen the most adamantine of parents loosening their purse-strings when the child has demanded a toy and reinforced that demand with vocal outbursts. He does not claim perfection for the toys. The dog in the collection may look like a bear and the monkey may resemble some of the clients. But they have the same appeal to his undersized clientele. If you probe him, he will talk of adults whose mental age is only three because they too have clapped their hands in delight at the sight of a toy.

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